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July 18, 1930

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Mr. A. C. Gies, Secretary

Pittsburgh, Pa.

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July 18, 1930
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Thank you
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By -

Moritz Wormser

Chairman Publication Committee

A. C. GIES
JEWELER AND OPTICIAN
DIAMONDS
6260 FRANKSTOWN AVENUE
PITTSBURGH, PA.

April 30, 1930.

George F. Marlier,
4779 Liberty Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed is a letter which came from Mr. Moritz Wormser, Chairman of the A.N.A. Publication Committee. As Mr. Gies is away at this time, I thought you would take care of it.

I have sent the names of all W.P.N.S. members to Mr. Wormser.

Yours truly,

A. C. Gies,

per B.C. Booth.

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July 14, 1930

Mr. A. C. Gies, Secretary
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
6260 Frankstown Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Sir :

You have not yet responded to our letter and follow-ups in regard to having your membership listed in our Directory and giving us an advertisement of your Club in this booklet.

Our manuscript is now ready to go to the printer, and we are writing you this letter merely as a courtesy to you as our Committee does not want to assume the responsibility for details of your Club being among the missing when the membership list appears in print.

In fact, by writing you this last reminder, we are putting ourselves to a great deal of trouble and are delaying our issue just as a courtesy to you.

If you have material to go into the Directory, please wire us immediately.

We also wish to make clear the question of charges :

1. The publication of your membership list entails no expense to you.
2. The cost of an advertisement is at the rate of \$10.00 for a full page, or \$6.00 for a half page, prepayment required.

With cordial greetings, we are

Numismatically yours,
THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

By- *Moritz Wormser*
Publication Committee

The International Nickel Company, Inc.

EXECUTIVE OFFICES: 67 WALL STREET

A. J. WADHAMS
MANAGER OF
DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

New York.

October 21, 1930

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE REFER TO
DEVELOP. AND RESEARCH DEPARTMENT
ATTN... R. E. Case

Mr. George A. Marlier, President,
The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
4779 Liberty Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

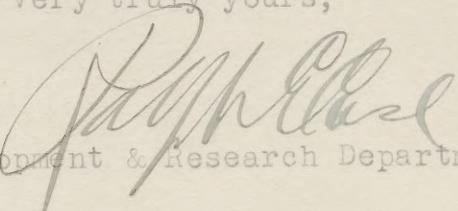
Dear Sir,

At the request of Mr. W. W. Woodside, of Cambridge, Mass., we are pleased to enclose a copy of our booklet entitled "Nickel Coins."

For your information, only a limited number of these books has been published, which, of course, necessitates our being somewhat careful in making our distribution.

However, we are anxious to place the book in the hands of parties sufficiently interested in the subject and will send you further copies, if you feel that you can put them to a useful purpose.

Very truly yours,


Ralph E. Case
Development & Research Department

* BEAVER VALLEY COIN CLUB *

(Organized October 10th, 1929)

Beaver Falls, Penna.

\$ \$ \$ \$ \$

Sherman L. Roney, Sec'y.
P. O. Box 485, B. Falls, Pa.

Headquarters: Grand Hotel.
Beaver Falls, Penna.

October 20th, 1930.

Dear Fellow Numismatist:-

The Beaver Valley Coin Club is going to celebrate it's First Annual Anniversary by holding a joint meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society of Pittsburgh, the Youngstown Numismatic Club of Youngstown, and the Beaver Valley Coin Club of Beaver Falls, on Friday October 24th, at the Grand Hotel of Beaver Falls. The Feature of the evening will consist of a "FISH" or "STEAK & MUSHROOMS" (your choice) Dinner, Short Business Meeting and Exhibitions. The Dinner is to start promptly at 6:45 P. M. and the business meeting and exhibitions to follow immediately.

On behalf of the members and officers of our Club, may we extend to you, a Personal Invitation to join with ~~us~~ us that evening. We are sure that you will be well repaid for attending this meeting.

Experience has taught the writer that a banquet cannot be successful on promises alone, so we are asking you to make reservations at once on the attached Reservation Slip and "Say it with a One Dollar Bill" (any size, date or signature), for each reservation you wish to make and sign your name to the slip. Kindly get this Slip to the writer not later than Thursday Oct. 23rd, as the reservations will be made with the Grand Hotel according to the number of "greenbacks" received. Just playing "Safety-First" that's all, but the important part is that we want you there.

Please attend to this matter at once and arrange to be present on that night. We will be very glad to meet and greet you and see your exhibit.

THE DATE - FRIDAY OCTOBER 24th 1930, at 6:45 P. M.

Numismatically yours,

BEAVER VALLEY COIN CLUB

Sherman L. Roney.

S. L. R.

SR/encl.

P. S. TO MEMBERS: Let's be PRESENT and make this meeting ONE GRAND SUCCESS.

S. L. R.

PRESIDENT
HENRY HUNT
114 Wabash St., W. E.
Pittsburgh, Pa.

VICE-PRESIDENT
H. D. GIBBS
1400 Belasco Street
Pittsburgh, Pa.

SEC'Y-TREAS.
A. M. BARKER
150 Morewood Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Pittsburgh Coin Club



MEMBER
AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

PITTSBURGH, PA.

10/13/30

Dear Sir:

Last fall some of the members of the various coin clubs in this part of the country met in a joint meeting at Erie, Pa., which town was selected on account of its central location.

At that time it seemed to be the general opinion of those who met there that further meetings of this kind should be held, and we are therefore proposing that a similar meeting be again held at Erie, Pa., during this fall, and would suggest as a tentative date Saturday evening Nov. 8th.

Copies of this letter are being sent to the following:-Western Reserve Numismatic Club, Beaver Valley Coin Club, Buffalo Numismatic Association, Rochester Numismatic Association, Detroit Coin Club, Youngstown Numismatic Club, Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, and the Chautauqua Coin, Stamp and Curio Club.

We would appreciate hearing your views in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

A. M. Barker.
Secretary

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Nov. 3rd. 1930

PITTSBURGH, PA.

Mr. A. C. Gies, Secretary,

Western Penna. Numismatic Society

Dear Mr. Gies:

Pursuant to our letter of Oct. 13th. regarding a joint meeting of coin clubs, I wish to state that the meeting is now scheduled for Jamestown N.Y. on Saturday evening Nov. 15th. with dinner about 6:30 p.m. in the Hotel Jamestown.

Expenses of the meeting will be divided among those attending, which as far as I know would only be the price of the meals.

We would be pleased to have some of your members attend and if any of them signify their intention of being present, we would appreciate if you could advise us as to the probable number.

Very truly yours,

A. M. Barker.
Secretary

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MEMBER
AMERICAN
NUMISMATIC
ASSOCIATION

Western Reserve Numismatic Club

ORGANIZED NOVEMBER 9TH, 1921

Cleveland, Ohio

October 15, 1930.

A. C. Gies, Secretary,
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
6260 Frankstown Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

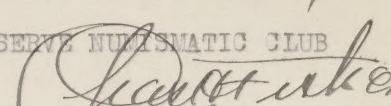
The Western Reserve Numismatic Club holds its 9th Annual Meeting on Wednesday Evening, November 12th, at the Allerton Hotel, Cleveland. A banquet and exhibition will be the features of the evening.

On behalf of the officers of the Club, may I extend to you an invitation to join with us that evening? I am sure you will be well repaid for your trip here.

Will you please let the writer know how many can come so that proper arrangements can be made to take care of them?

Yours very truly,

WESTERN RESERVE NUMISMATIC CLUB


Secretary & Treasurer

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DONALD H. DAVIS, President

ARTHUR MORGAN, Vice President

CHAS. JAMES, Treasurer



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YOUNGSTOWN NUMISMATIC CLUB

MEMBER A. N. A.

FRANK W. SCHILLING, Secretary
355 CUSTER AVENUE

Youngstown, Ohio

January 30 1931.

Mr. A. C. Gies, Secretary,
Western Penn. Numismatic Society,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Inclose please find honorary membership card
for year 1931 for the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic
Club.

Truly Yours,

Frank W. Schilling
Secretary

Donald H. Davis, *Pres.*

Arthur Morgan, *V. Pres.*

Chas. James, *Treas.*

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YOUNGSTOWN
NUMISMATIC CLUB

Member A. N. A.

Membership No. 19

Western Penn. Numismatic Socie

FRANK W. SCHILLING

Secretary



Dear Mr. Duffield:

In the attached minutes, please note change of Secretaryship in our Society, from Mr. Gies to Mr. Coatsworth. Until further notice, please address the Society's copy of "The Numismatist" to Mr. Earl Coatsworth, 914 Broadway, East McKeesport, Pa.

It shall be my pleasure to cooperate with you in every way possible, especially in the matter of condensation of monthly meeting reports. However, in connection with the reference to our Society's action in presenting Honorary Memberships to three of its members, as detailed in the minutes attached hereto, the Society will appreciate the publication in full of the text as presented.

Yours very truly,

Earl Coatsworth
Secretary.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

FOUNDED JUNE 14, 1878

GEORGE F. MARLIER, PRESIDENT
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WILLIAM A. GAEDE, CURATOR



A. C. GIES, SECRETARY
6260 FRANKSTOWN AVENUE
PITTSBURGH, PA.

5619 Fair Oaks Street,
June 13, 1938.

Mr. Sidney K. Eastwood, V. Pres.,
Mr. Earl Coatsworth, Secty.,
Mr. Chas. Manning, Treasr.,
Mr. W. W. Woodside, Curator,

Gentlemen:

While no public announcement has as yet been made, I wish to inform you that Mr. J. Verner Scaife, Jr., Mr. Sidney K. Eastwood and Mr. Adam Barker have agreed to be Chairmen of the Program & Entertainment, Publicity, and Membership Committees respectively. With this array of talent our meetings should be interesting and progressive.

In order to collectively map out in an informal way the year's activities, I think it very advisable to have an executive meeting in the near future. As was previously proposed, the Executive Board to be composed of the officers of the Society and the Chairmen of the various committees.

One of the officers is away and will not return to the City until the latter part of the week. So soon as it is possible to have a meeting of the complete board will get in touch with each member in order that a time may be selected for meeting that will be most suitable.

I wish to express appreciation to you all for the fine spirit of cooperation already manifest. With kind personal regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

John A. Kauz
President

PHONE, LACKAWANNA 4-1223

MEMBER OF
AMERICAN
NUMISMATIC
ASSOCIATIONS
AND LEADING
COIN CLUBS
OF AMERICA



DEALERS IN
COINS AND MEDALS
COLLECTIONS
CATALOGUED FOR
SALE AT AUCTION

NUMISMATISTS
32 WEST 46TH STREET
NEW YORK

June 24, 1938

TO THE SECRETARY:

Under separate cover we have mailed to you a number of our tokens.

We feel reasonably sure that the members in your Club will appreciate them, and we are taking the liberty of asking you to distribute them at your next meeting.

Should you find the supply inadequate, we will be pleased to send additional tokens on to you. If you find that you have some over, you may distribute them in any manner you see fit.

Thanking you for this courtesy, we remain,

Respectfully yours,

JBS:DMO

STACK'S

July 18, 1938.

Stack's
32 West 46th Street
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

As Secretary of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, it my pleasure to acknowledge receipt of a quantity of your tokens, which have been distributed among the membership as your letter directed. I wish to add that the members were pleased to receive these pieces, and have commissioned me to express their appreciation.

Yours very truly,

Earl Coatsworth.

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6260 FRANKSTOWN AVENUE
PITTSBURGH, PA.



June 28, 1938.

Mr. A. C. Gies
6260 Frankstown Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Gies:

This year of Nineteen Hundred Thirty Eight finds the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society enjoying its Sixtieth Anniversary of continued growth and progress.

At the Society's last monthly meeting, on June 7th, it was a pleasure to review the history of our organization during these past sixty years. One significant fact was plainly evident - that the Society's progress has been principally due to the efforts and influence of certain personalities. Among these you were ever present; the story of the Society could not be told without many repetitions of the name of "Uncle Charley" Gies.

The members of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society recognize fully the value of your many years of membership. In appreciation of this, and out of respect for your personal qualities and your noteworthy numismatic career, it was agreed and voted unanimously to present to you an Honorary Membership in the Society.

It is the privilege and pleasure of my office to advise you of the above; you are therefore requested to consider this letter as official notification of the Society's action.

Yours very truly,

Earl Coatsworth
Secretary

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6260 FRANKSTOWN AVENUE
PITTSBURGH, PA.

June 28, 1938.

Mr. George H. Clapp
Woodland Road
Edgeworth
Sewickly, Pa.

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4779 Liberty Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Marlier:

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Yours very truly,

Earl Coatsworth
Secretary.

4779 Liberty Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa.,
July 1, 1938.

Mr. Earl Coatsworth, Secretary,
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

Many thanks for your kind letter of June 28th. Please extend to the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society my sincere appreciation of the honor conferred upon me in placing my name upon the Honorary Membership list.

In reviewing my long connection with the Society, as a member and officer, especially as your president, the retrospective dial indicates only the most pleasant recollections enjoyed with the finest group of men it has ever been my pleasure to serve, and I hope to continue to serve in the future.

Forgive a sentimental expression if I say that it grieved me to break the old ties between us when I requested that I be relieved of the office of president, but since the members, in their wisdom, elected a group of officers who will carry the Society along to continued progress and have adopted as their own the ideals of their predecessors, this becomes a boon to all of us.

It will be impossible for me to attend the next regular meeting of the Society because, as you know, a first Monday legal holiday always compels me to postpone until Tuesday some of the office duties of the previous evening.

If it be the pleasure of the Society, some time in the near future, to permit me to review our history together with that of the A. N. A., please give me notice, in advance, of the time and place and again, as in the past, I shall be happy to offer my sincere co-operation.

Very truly yours,

Geo. F. Maher

GEO. H. CLAPP
WOODLAND ROAD, EDGEWORTH
SEWICKLEY, PA.

July 2, 1938.

Carl Coakwork, Secy,
W. Pa. Numismatic Society,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Coakwork:

I was much surprised and greatly pleased by the information given in yours of June 28.

This is an unexpected honor and while I am the only living "Charter Member" I feel that the honor should have gone to "Charlie" Gies, the man who has held the Society together, and done the real work in doing so, during these Sixty years.

I had expected to attend the June meeting but a previous engagement prevented and now I see that it was just as well as you might have called on me for a speech at which I am a "complete loss".

Hope to get out to the next meeting but in case I cannot will you kindly present to the Society my sincere thanks for what they have done.

Very sincerely yours,
George H. Clapp.

THE NUMISMATIC SCRAPBOOK MAGAZINE

Lee F. Hewitt
Editor

July 16, 1938.

1476 GREGORY STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society.
A.C. Gies, Sec.
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Gies:

Under cover a copy of Newlin's Early Half Dimes has been forwarded. I trust that it will be an addition to your organization's library.

I would appreciate receiving, during the coming season, reports of meetings, news items, papers, etc., for publication.

Sincerely yours,
Lee F. Hewitt
Lee F. Hewitt.

July 23, 1938.

Mr. Harry T. Wilson, Secretary,
American Numismatic Association
535 N. Sawyer Avenue
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Wilson:

At the June meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, the Secretarship of the Society passed from Mr. A. C. Gies to myself.

An item in the July "Numismatist", titled "Changes Affecting Club Secretaries" has just come to my attention, and it prompts me to forward the above advice. The delay in this matter has been due to my unfamiliarity with the proper procedure in such cases.

Please address future communications to our Society to myself, address - 914 Broadway, East McKeesport, Pa.

Yours very truly,

Earl Coatsworth

CABLE ADDRESS
"NUMISMA" NEW YORK

TELEPHONE
AUDUBON 3-4141



THE MUSEUM OF
THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY BETWEEN 155TH AND 156TH STS.

NEW YORK

August 30, 1938.

Mr. W. W. Woodside,
930 Sheridan Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Woodside:

Your letter of August 28th is at hand.

Mr. Werner told me of having enjoyed meeting you at the convention, and although he did not speak of the details, I am glad you wrote. It is for just such contingencies that we have kept an accumulation of duplicate numbers of Numismatists.

I am returning herewith your check list, on which I have indicated what we have available. Where you require the full years I have indicated the number of monthly issues which we have; for example, there are three issues of 1892 and ten of 1896 (October and November are missing). I suggest that you make an offer for what you may desire of these, basing it on what you have heretofore paid for the numbers required.

Please let me know if you have any other wants. I am enclosing a list of duplicate books offered by our Society last year. It may be that you would care to have some of them, although all of the items listed are not now available.

We have a very large file of back numbers of Spink's Circular, which we should be very glad to let you have at a low figure.

Anything we can do to help you build up your library we should feel to be a step in the direction in which we are both working.

Cordially yours,

Sydney P. Noe

Secretary.

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Answered 9/4/38

56 Bennett Ave
New York. N.Y.
Aug. 30th 1938

My dear Mr. Woodside-

Your letter of the 27 inst.
to hand.

In rechecking my duplicate
"Numismatists," I was very sadly
disappointed, (believe me) to have
found, only nine(9) numbers
to check against your list. I
was under the impression, with
so many duplicates, I could
check more than half the list.

Of course I am grateful
for the opportunity to donate
the so few "numismatists," to the
Western Penna. Numismatic Society
library.

I do hope that the American
Numismatic Society has the
duplicate numbers you need.

In virtue of the A.H.S.,
please allow me to propose
your name, as a member in the
A.H.S. enclosing card for same.

I know they will welcome
your application.

With my kindest personal
regards to the members of the W.P.H.S.

As ever,

Yours S. Werner.

P.S. Mailed to-day under separate
cover, (9) nine numbers of the
"Numismatist." L.S.W.

Answered 9/11/38

YOUNGSTOWN NUMISMATIC CLUB

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

Sept. 6, 1938.



Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
Pittsburg, Pa.

Dear Fellow Collectors:

The Youngstown Numismatic Club will hold its Annual Banquet, Saturday, Oct. 22nd., at the Youngstown Y.M.C.A., North Champion St., 6:30 P.M.

The weather is more favorable at this time than during the winter season, and with this thought in mind, we concluded that a larger attendance will result.

We herewith extend to all members of your Club (wives and friends included) a hearty invitation to attend and aid us in making this gathering a huge success.

We expect to have a well known person, one who has a thorough knowledge of Numismatics, as our Guest Speaker. There will be a display of coins, medals, paper money, etc., followed by a lively auction sale.

Anyone wishing to dispose of some lots in this sale, is asked to communicate with the writer so proper listing can be made. The Club will retain 10% for commission fees.

After discussing this matter with your members, kindly inform the writer about how many we may expect from your Club, so we will have some idea as to the attendance we can expect and make the necessary reservations.

Yours numismatically,

The Youngstown Numismatic Club,

By A. F. Smith.

Coronation Medal Edward VII, Hong Kong 1902

1000 Islands International Bridge Medal 1936

Coins and Tokens of the Isle of Man

A. C. GIES

JEWELER AND OPTICIAN
DIAMONDS

6260 FRANKSTOWN AVENUE
PITTSBURGH, PA.

Mr President & Members

This is the evening
that the subject is The War tokens & store tokens
of Pittsburgh. And I have given it some thought
for I was a boy at that time and started to collect
coins & these momentos of our Early Store Keepers when
small change was very scarce I knew where all
these stores were was in some of them when I was a boy
and in after years got acquainted with some of those
that issued these coins during the period of the Civil
War among which I can mention Mr Buffum.
Pitlock. Rymer. Petty. Sinclair & Wilson. Snyder. McKim
Hanna Flinn & Eckert. These war tokens were issued
during the years from 1861 to 1864 consisting of Copper
brass white metal Nickel & Paper of which I have
collected the following 95 varieties which I
am pleased to exhibit this evening

CABLE ADDRESS
"NUMISMA" NEW YORK

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THE MUSEUM OF
THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

BROADWAY BETWEEN 155TH AND 156TH STS.

NEW YORK September 19, 1938.

Mr. W. W. Woodside,
930 Sheridan Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Penna.

Dear Mr. Woodside:

This is to acknowledge your letters of September 11th and 14th, which Mr. Noe turned over to me for handling before leaving on his vacation.

We are sending today, by parcel post, the numbers listed in your letter. The price of 25 cents per number which you suggest is perfectly satisfactory to us, and we are billing you at that figure. 9.75

Due to several circumstances, we would rather not set a price on the back numbers of Spink's Circulars, concerning which Mr. Noe wrote to you. The sales value of these issues is by no means great and they may be worth little more than the cost of their transportation. From our viewpoint, we should much prefer the circulars to be of some real service to members of a coin club than lay in our basement unused. In view of these considerations, we would be willing to send them to you for the transportation costs. If their worth to you appears to exceed this, and you feel inclined to add a nominal amount, possibly \$5.00, this would be acceptable to us. Our whole accumulation of the circulars consists of unbound copies as issued, covering most of the issues from 1892 to 1936. Altogether they weigh 175 to 200 pounds. Possibly you can ascertain the transportation cost, whether by freight or express, and decide whether the cost involved makes it worth-while.

Very truly yours,

Sawyer M. Mosser

Librarian.

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THE NUMISMATIST

OFFICIAL MAGAZINE OF

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

F. G. DUFFIELD, EDITOR AND MANAGER
4215 FERNHILL AVE., BALTIMORE, MD.

Sept. 24, 1938.

Dear Mr. Woodside:

The big October issue has kept me busy all this month and I have just had time to go over the stock of back numbers.

From 1894 to 1900, inclusive, I think we have a complete stock, or nearly complete. But there were not always 12 numbers each year. Some years there were only 8 or 10 issues, but they make complete volumes.

From 1901 to 1907, inclusive, we have practically nothing, except an occasional issue. For 1908 I think we can furnish the first six issues. For 1910 there were only 8 issues, which make a complete volume. For 1911 and 1913 we have practically none.

Our regular price is 30c. a copy. The copies from 1894 to 1900 are really not worth that price, but all are in new condition. Some of the covers may be a little soiled with age. If you want all we can furnish on your list, we can make the price on the early ones 20c. The later ones will be 30c.

If you want us to send all on your list that we can furnish, we will send them and bill you on the above basis.

We have none, and never had any, of the issues prior to 1894.

Very truly yours,


F. G. Duffield.

Bus. Mgr.

THE NUMISMATIST

OFFICIAL MAGAZINE OF

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

F. G. DUFFIELD, EDITOR AND MANAGER
4215 FERNHILL AVE., BALTIMORE, MD.

Oct. 1, 1938.

Dear Mr. Woodside:

With this I am mailing a package of back numbers. I was a little surprised to find I can furnish all but a few on your list.

If you have everything in 1896 except Oct. and Nov., you have a complete volume, because none were issued in those two months. Note the numbering of the pages. They are consecutive from the Sept. to Dec. issue.

I can furnish only four issues in 1900. None in 1901-2-3. I furnish the four you want in 1908, and nine numbers (complete) in 1910.

List with prices is attached.

During the coming year there will be a fifty-year index to the Numismatist published, and I imagine there will be activity in a good many places trying to build up complete sets. At this time I do not know anyone who has any back numbers for sale, but if I learn of any I will let you know.

Very truly yours,

F. G. Duffield,
F. G. Duffield.

Bus. Mgr.

GEO. H. CLAPP
WOODLAND ROAD, EDGEWORTH
SEWICKLEY, PA.

November 7, 1938.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

Repeating to you of the 4th I cannot help you any on the early history of the Society.

I was quite active for a couple of years after it was founded but after I got to work, and especially after I married, I did not get to town very often in the evenings, also money was a little scarce and I gave up collecting.

In 1888 I began to work on a collection of shells which had been given me many years before by my grandfather and finally settled down on trying to complete my collection of the Lared Shells of North America, north of Mexico. In this I was quite successful so at the time I gave it to the Carnegie Museum, in 1922 I think, it was considered one of the most complete and important private collections in the country, but it had outgrown my house.

During all this time I kept up my membership in the D.P.N.S., although I never attended a meeting, but the late Prof. Abbott used to talk about to me whenever I saw him and in 1921 I bought a fairly complete collection. It took me some time to get it in order, that is taken out of the snuff boxes and put into trays when they could be seen and studied, I learned the necessity of this from my years of work on my shells. Along in '22 began seriously trying to build up my collection and to attend an occasional meeting of the Society.

Unless Charley Gies can fill in some of the blanks of these early years I am afraid they are lost as I believe he is the sole survivor who was active at that time. I do not believe we had "minutes" at those early meetings, we just met and talked without all formality.

Mrs. Clapp has not been well for over a year so I find
it hard to leave her in the evening and never do so except for an
important meeting or engagement, and this is very seldom.

Unless something unforeseen happens you can count
on me for the Annual Meeting and dinner in October. Is it
planned to have any exhibits at that meeting?

Yours sincerely
George H. Clapp

A. E. Coatsworth,
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914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.
November 8, 1938.

Carnegie Institute
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Attention: Mr. Avineff

Gentlemen:

At the meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society on November 1, 1938, it was suggested that the Society present to Carnegie Institute a specimen of the Society's Fiftieth Anniversary medal. The membership present was in unanimous approval of this action, and you will find the medal enclosed. May we ask that you accept this as a token of the friendship between the two organizations, and as a sign of the Society's appreciation for the fine co-operation which has been so generously granted it by the Institute on numerous occasions.

Yours very truly,

A. E. Coatsworth
Secretary

CARNEGIE MUSEUM
DEPARTMENT OF
THE CARNEGIE INSTITUTE
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA, U.S.A.

A. AVINOFF
DIRECTOR

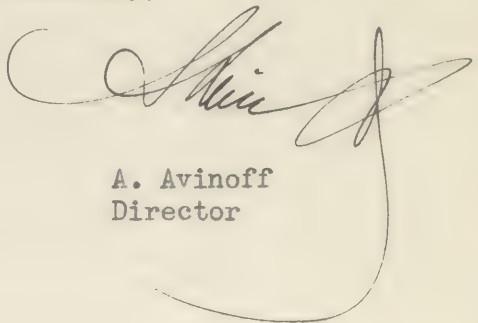
November 12, 1938

A. E. Coatsworth, Esq.,
Secretary, Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Coatsworth:

It is with the most sincere gratitude
that I acknowledge on behalf of the Carnegie Museum your generous
gift of the Society's Fiftieth Anniversary Medal. It will be
placed on view in the Numismatics Gallery and will serve as a
token on the friendly relationships between the Western Pennsylvania
Numismatics Society and our museum, to which you refer in your
letter. You may be sure that the Carnegie Museum always considers
itself happy and privileged to be able to extend its hospitality to
your group, which holds its meetings on our premises, and I look
forward to a continuance of these pleasant associations.

Yours very sincerely,



A. Avinoff
Director

CARNEGIE MUSEUM
DEPARTMENT OF
THE CARNEGIE INSTITUTE
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA, U.S.A.

A. AVINOFF
DIRECTOR

December 12, 1938

Mr. A. E. Coatsworth
Secretary, Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Coatsworth:

I wish to thank you most sincerely
for your kind invitation to meet with the members of the
Numismatic Society on January third. I would enjoy doing
so exceedingly, and regret that I must decline since I expect
to spend the Christmas holidays on the Bahama Islands and I
will not be in Pittsburgh on that evening.

Will you kindly extend my greetings
to the Society and my best wishes for the New Year.

Yours faithfully,

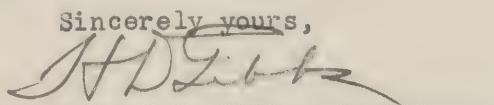
A. Avinoff

HOWARD D. GIBBS
NUMISMATIST
1400 BELASCO AVENUE
PITTSBURGH, PA.

Dec. 14, 1938.

As you will note from the notices being sent, Pittsburgh Coin Club will have its Annual Auction and Banquet on Saturday, January 21, 1939, and I sincerely hope you can get up a nice party and attend.

We are looking forward to having the best affair we have ever held, and hope you and many of the boys can come.

Sincerely yours,

Howard D. Gibbs, Secretary,
PITTSBURGH COIN CLUB

A. E. Coatsworth,
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914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.

Dear Mr. Clapp:

The Society's Sixtieth Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Harvard-Yale-Princeton Club at 6:45 P.M. next Tuesday evening, December 13th, as previously announced.

The Program Committee has announced that plans for the evening are completed, and as I have had some part in the preparations, I am in a position to assure you that an enjoyable occasion is in store. The primary consideration has been to provide an informal and sociable affair.

According to your advice of several weeks ago, I understand that your attendance depends to a great extent upon your good wife's health at the moment. I sincerely trust that her condition will permit you to attend, and this sentiment is merely an echo of the feelings of the entire membership present at last Tuesday's regular meeting; in fact, this letter is written because of this circumstance.

It will be obvious to you that you will occupy a very definite place of importance at the dinner, along with Mr. Gies and Mr. Marlier. May I again request that you attend, if at all possible.

In the event that you can determine that you will be present, please have your Secretary advise me, if possible. A telephone call to Valley-600 during the day or to Valley-0527-W in the evening will suffice. Of course, if you do not know definitely until the last moment, it will be quite alright to come without notification.

Yours very truly,

A. E. Coatsworth
Secretary.

Dec. 27, 1938

2619 Mc Cord St.

S.S. Pgh. Pa.

Western Penn Numismatic Society
914 Broadway St.
Mc Keesport, Pa.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth;

Please accept my appreciation for your kind consideration in sending me the literature of our last dinner and meeting. I only regret that I was unable to attend this affair. I also regret the fact that I have'nt communicated with you sooner, concerning my non attendance in our affair. Please accept my sincere apology for not responding to your notices. I am

Very truly yours.



Chester F. Warren



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NUMISMATICS: The Science and Study of Coins, Money and Medals, and the Histories of All Nations and Their Rulers, Through the Medium of Their Coinage.

San Diego
Numismatic Society

Founded 1937



PINE TREE

SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

January 17, 1939.

Office of the President

Office of the Secretary

Mr. Earl Coatsworth,
Secretary Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
914 Broadway, East McKeesport, Pa.

Dear Sir:

On behalf of our society I wish to cordially thank you for the pamphlet recently published by your society.

Personally, I have often regretted that I did not identify myself with your organization in its early days when I was living in Pittsburgh. It seems that its existence was not brought to my attention, I was just a beginner in collecting and did not then know of the advantages of membership and did not have the initiative to find out about for myself.

Some of my most pleasant memories, in the numismatic way, are of some of the older members and founders of your society. It was Mr. John Rivett who first opened my eyes to the possibility of obtaining coins other than from circulation or accident, and Mr. Rode was so enthusiastic and imparted his enthusiasm about collecting in such a manner that it was very helpful to me. I also met Mr. Ramsden and obtained a few ~~few~~ specimens from him which I still have. At the 1892 Convention ~~XXI~~ I also met others of your early members. Mr. Gies was also another who kept my interest in coins alive. A short time ago I ran across a minor proof set which he furnished me ever so many years ago.

So you can see that I have reason personally to return thanks for the booklet as well as on behalf of our society.

Very truly yours,

Thomas W. Voetter
Thomas W. Voetter.

ALBANY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

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62 SYCAMORE STREET

ALBANY, N. Y.

Jan. 19, 1939

Mr. Earl Coatsworth
914 Broadway
East Mc Keegport, Penna.

Dear Sir:

We wish to thank you very much for sending us a copy of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society's Constitution, By Laws and Membership Roster, and to congratulate your society on its long life. Ours is a more infant in comparison, having been organized in April 1936.

I was particularly interested in your provisions for Honorary and Corresponding Membership. We have just associate membership in addition to active. This class is made up of those unable to participate actively because of distant residence and it carries dues of \$1.00 while active membership is \$2.00 per year.

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Our general meeting plan is to study some particular phase of numismatics at each session (^{twice monthly}) and to have someone present a paper or exhibit. Perhaps you have noticed some of our papers in the "Numismatist" and "Numismatic Scrapbook".

With best wishes from our society to yours, I am

Very truly yours,

Willis J. McKinney
(a.n.a. 4834)

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Earl Coatsworth,
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914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.

Pittsburgh Coin Club,
Mr. H. D. Gibbs, Secretary,
1400 Belasco Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Gentlemen:

This is to acknowledge your kind invitation to attend the Pittsburgh Coin Club's Annual Auction and Banquet on January 21st, 1939; same was presented to members in attendance at the last regular meeting of W. P. N. S. and several members expressed their intention of requesting reservations by individual correspondence with your Secretary.

As one of these individuals, please reserve one place at dinner for me, and accept my personal thanks.

Yours very truly,

Earl Coatsworth
Secretary



Missouri Numismatic Society

MELBOURNE HOTEL « » ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI



Meetings Second Monday each month 8 P. M.

212 Edwin Avenue,
Kirkwood, Missouri
January 25th, 1939

Mr. Earl Coatsworth, Secretary,
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
914 Broadway,
East McKeesport, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

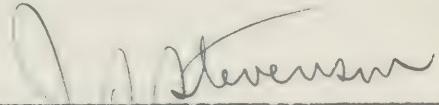
This acknowledges receipt of your letter of January 13th, enclosing copy of Constitution, By-laws and Roster of Members of your Society.

This was turned over to our President and he in turn discussed same with the members of our Club at our last Meeting on January 16th, 1939.

You have a wonderful Club with a large membership. We appreciate the pamphlet, which you sent, and wish your Club a prosperous New Year.

Hoping to have the pleasure of hearing from you again soon,
I remain

Yours very truly,



J. S. Stevenson, Secretary

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CHICAGO COIN CLUB

January 31, 1939

Mr. Earl Coatsworth, Secy.

914 Broadway

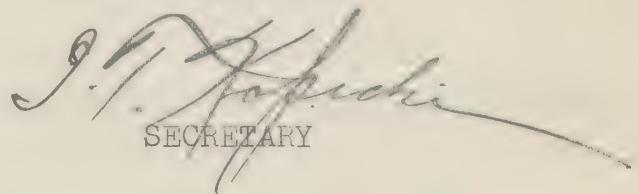
East McKeesport, Penna.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:-

We acknowledge with thanks the
receipt of your Constitution By-Laws and Roster
of Members.

In reciprocation, we enclose
herewith copy of our Membership and By-Laws.

Yours very truly,


J.P. Kepich
SECRETARY

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Enclosures

Mr. Secretary:

My hobbies are: signatures, Philately, and movies. While attending the 1938 A.N.A. Convention I made a motion picture entitled, "Personalities Attending The 1938 A.N.A. Convention At Columbus". Many dealers attending are in this movie and I am willing to loan this film to your club for any meeting you might select. This movie has already been shown to several different clubs, and if your members have not seen this picture why not place your projection today? It may be shown on any 16 mm. projector.

Incidentally, would you please forward me a copy of your latest membership list? A self-addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Very truly yours,

Springfield, Mass.
February 1, 1959

H. E. McMillan

ANDREW C. SEMPLE, . . . President
359 Fulton St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

MAX M. SCHWARTZ Vice-President
50 Court St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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115-120 226th St., St. Albans, L. I., N. Y.
ABRAHAM KOSOFF . . . Treasurer
82 Bowery, New York City

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755 Madison St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Past Presidents

1932-33 MORRIS KLAIF

1934 ERNEST KRAUS

1935 EDWARD J. SHANAHAN

1936-37-38 LEWIS M. REAGAN

Brooklyn Coin Club, Inc.



February 2nd 1939

Mr. Earl Coatsworth,
914 Broadway,
East Mc Keesport, Pa.

My dear Mr. Coatsworth;

It affords me much pleasure to extend to you the thanks of the Brooklyn Coin Club upon the receipt from you of a copy of the constitution, by-laws and roster of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society.

This volume has been placed in the library of the club, and its receipt is very much appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Charles O. Knoth

Charles P. Knoth,
Secretary.

*Meets First Friday Each Month
City Hall, 18th & Farnam*

Omaha Coin Club

Life Member American Numismatic Association

*Omaha, Nebraska,
Feb. 6, 1939*

Mr. Earl Coatsworth,
SECRETARY,
914 Broadway,
East McKeesport, Penna.

Dear Sir:

We wish to acknowledge with thanks
the receipt of a copy of the Constitution and
By-Laws of "Western Pennsylvania Numismatic
Society".

This will be added to the collection
and library of the Omaha Coin Club.

Numismatically Yours,

Raymond Moulton
SECRETARY,
Omaha Coin Club.

Raymond E. Moulton,
2647 Chicago St.,
Omaha, Nebraska

February 14, 1939.

Mr. H. E. MacIntosh
Springfield, Mass.

Dear Mr. MacIntosh:

Your kind invitation to loan the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society your movie "Personalities Attending the 1938 A. N. A. Convention at Columbus" is at hand. Due to a change in Secretaries in our Society, there was some delay before this reached me.

We hope to obtain your film for a showing before our next meeting, which is March 7th. It happens that we plan a special program for this meeting, into which a movie would fit perfectly. May we have the film for this particular date? It is understood, I believe, that the Society is in no way obligated for this kindness, except that we shall gladly pay the postage charges required for shipment in both directions.

May I have your immediate reply to the above, as our programs are planned, and it will be necessary to make arrangements somewhat in advance.

Yours very truly,

Earl Coatsworth, Sec'y
Western Penna. Numismatic Soc.
914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.

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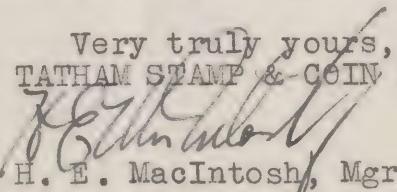
Earl Coatsworth, Sec'y
Western Penna. Numismatic Society,
914 Broadway,
East McKeesport, Pa.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

The A.N.A. movies are to be shown to the Chicago Coin Club on the evening of March 1st. We have instructed Mr. Kopicki, secretary of the Chicago Coin Club, to forward the films directly to you after they have served their purpose.

After the movies have been shown at your meeting of March 7, will you please return them to us.

Very truly yours,
TATHAM STAMP & COIN COMPANY

H. E. MacIntosh, Mgr.


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February 21, 1939

Earl Coatsworth, Sec'y
Western Penna. Numismatic Society,
914 Broadway,
East McKeesport, Pa.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

You will receive our A.N.A. movies direct from the secretary of the Chicago club in time for your meeting of March 7.

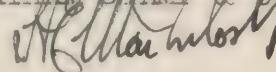
These pictures are to be shown at the Philadelphia Coin Club on March 9, and immediately after they have served your purpose on the evening of March 7, we wish to have you forward the films by Special Delivery to George Patterson, secretary of the Philadelphia Coin Club, c/o Central Y.M.C.A., 1421 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please see that the reels are re-wound and all ready to be shown again before dispatching, and do not fail to comply with the instructions above, as the Philadelphia Club was disappointed on one other occasion when the films failed to arrive on schedule during the Christmas rush. Shipping labels are enclosed.

Please acknowledge and verify these instructions.

Very truly yours,

TATHAM STAMP & COIN COMPANY



H. E. MacIntosh, Mgr.

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

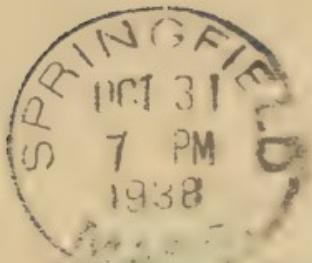
While attaching the 1938 A.N.A. Convention at Columbus I made a Motion Picture (another hobby) entitled "Personalities at The 1938 A.N.A. Convention". This picture introduces you to most of the members attending the Convention and is highly entertaining. Film may be shown on my 16mm projector. Will loan to you if I did provided you agree to pay the postage and return it promptly after use. Finken has already been informed about it in Springfield. Hartford, New Haven and Providence is very responsive and lenient! We predict a large number of requests and will grant you earliest possible reservation.

Very truly yours,

H. E. MacIntosh, A.N.A. 4654

281 Belmont Ave.,

Springfield, Mass.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Western Pa. Numismatic Society
E. L. Lies, Secretary
3260 Frankstown Ave.
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Earl Coatsworth,
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914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.

Mr. A. C. Gies
6260 Frankstown Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Gies:

Last evening, at the Society's regular monthly meeting, I presented to the Society your statement of March 4th, 1939, which lists an item of Sixty-five dollars, representing a refund to you of money advanced during the past twenty years for postage charges incurred by you in conducting your office of Secretary of the Society.

This matter was given full consideration by the fifteen members present at the meeting. It was the opinion of Society that this bill should be honored and paid in full, but the status of the Society's finances will not permit full settlement at this time. Its present bank balance is \$27.80, having been reduced to this figure because of extraordinary expenses encountered during the past year, which included the binding of a large number of volumes of the "Numismatist", printing a new issue of revised By-laws, Constitution and Membership List. It was agreed that, had the Society known that this debt to you existed, and that it must anticipate payment of the same, these other expenses mentioned above would have been postponed until such time as you were reimbursed in full.

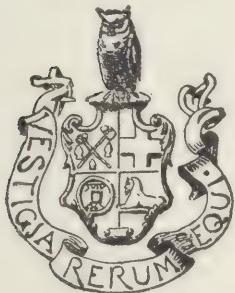
After due deliberation on the matter, it was the unanimous opinion that the Society should pay to you \$25.00 within the coming six weeks, and the balance in installments as soon as considered practicable, and in amounts commensurate with the status of the Society's treasury.

Therefore, in due course you will receive a check drawn against the Society's funds in bank, in accordance with the plan of settlement outlined above, and subsequently you may expect to receive the balance due you when it becomes possible for the Society to remit same.

Yours very truly,

Earl Coatsworth, Secretary.

Founded 1857



The Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia

March 16. 1939.

OFFICE OF THE LIBRARIAN
1300 LOCUST STREET
PHILADELPHIA

The Librarian
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Librarian I beg to acknowledge
with cordial appreciation the receipt from you of the gift
mentioned below, a welcome addition to the collections of
The Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia.

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
Constitution By-Laws Roster of Members,
Pittsburgh, Pa., 1938.

Very truly yours,

Martha Fairies Grant

The Library is located in the
Hall of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania
1300 Locust Street, Philadelphia
to which address all communications for the Library should be sent

Earl Coatsworth,
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914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.
April 7, 1939.

Mr. David M. Bullowa
10 West 86th Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

According to published advice, the activities of Numismatic organizations during National Coin Week are to be submitted to you.

Although the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society decided not to compete for any of the various prizes offered in connection with this observance, we wish to advise that we were "alive" to some extent. I am pleased to list below several items which show that we participated in a small way:

1. Several members supplied coins for a two-window display in the Peoples-Pittsburgh Trust Company, Pittsburgh, Pa.
2. Mr. William A. Gaede displayed a collection of coins in his offices at the Hotel Henry, Pittsburgh, Pa., under the title "The March of Time".
3. Mr. Sidney K. Eastwood addressed the Botanical Society of Western Pennsylvania, offering the story of botany in coins, and showing a number of related specimens and projected illustrations.
4. Mr. Earl Coatsworth addressed two local service clubs, Kiwanis and Rotary, speaking about coins in general and displaying general collections.

Please understand that this information is not furnished for the purpose of seeking prizes, since the Society did not promote a publicity campaign of any kind.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

National Gallery o^r South Australia.
North Terrace,
Adelaide.
South Australia.
April 24th., 1939.

Hon, Secretary,
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society.
914 Broadway,
East McKeesport,
Pennsylvania. U. S. A.

Dear Sir,

By to-day's Mail, the Hon Secretary of the local Society for numismatic study received a copy of your learned body's booklet. I was wondering if your Society could favour me with a copy for my own use. I am particularly interested in the Histories of the various numismatic societies and am contemplating writing a short history of organised numismatics throughout the world. I have already asked Duffield of the NUMISMATIST to put a note in his journal about this. I am enclosing postage coupon, in the hopes that your Society might grant my request.

Until the depression of 1930-6 hit South Australia I was a member of the A.N.A. and an Associate of the A.N.S.; and had published a couple of little articles in the Numismatist. Also I had the honour of being a Fellow of the Royal, and a Member of the British, Numismatic Societies. However, I had to allow these to lapse; but have made application to Sheldon for reinstatement in the A.N.A.

Actually I belong to none of the Australian Numismatic Societies now - except in an honorary capacity. I have the honour of being Founder, Past President, past Secretary-Treasurer and now Honorary Life Member in the Numismatic Society of South Australia. I was also a Vice-President of the Numismatic Society of Victoria; and my connection with the Australian Numismatic Society and the New Zealand Numismatic Society is as Honorary Corresponding Member.

I am very proud to be in charge of the largest, and best representative and displayed numismatic collection in Australia, and was for several years the only official of that kind in the Commonwealth.

You will see by the Circular that I am enclosing that I am very keen upon the formation of an All-Australian Numismatic Association. I have many hopes of being able to obtain sufficient support to enable me to found such a body.

Might I offer my services to your body in any way I can, and if you care to hear from South Australia occasionally, it would give me a great pleasure to write.

With every good wish to the W. P. N. S.
Yours sincerely,

James Hunt Weacon.

Honorary Life Member, Numismatic Society of S. Aust..

WESTERN MARYLAND COIN CLUB

P. O. BOX 133

CUMBERLAND, MARYLAND

May 11, 1939.

Mr. Earl Coatsworth,
914 Broadway,
East McKeesport, Pa.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

We would appreciate very much in receiving one of your booklets of the by-laws and Roster which was used at your Sixtieth Anniversary. If you do not happen to have any of these booklets left would you please mail us a copy of your by-laws, as our club is less than a year old and we have just appointed a by-law committee and would like to have some guide from an older and larger club.

Thanking you in advance for your kind favor, and we wish to extend an invitation to any members of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society to attend our meetings, which you no doubt know are held on the third Wednesday of each month in the library of the Central Y. M. C. A. Again thanking you, we remain

Very sincerely yours,
W. H. L. M.
WESTERN MARYLAND COIN CLUB.
Secretary.

Earl Coatsworth,
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914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.

May 23, 1939.

Mr. James Hunt Deacon
National Gallery of South Australia
North Terrace
Adelaide
South Australia

Dear Sir:

It is a pleasure to acknowledge your letter of April 24th, and to enclose herewith a copy of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society's recently revised By-laws. I sincerely trust that this booklet may prove to be of some value to you in your organization project. May I add that I have studied the circular which you enclosed in regard to the formation of an association of Australian numismatists, and feel that you are undertaking a most worthy program, and that your several detailed proposals are sound. I shall consider it an honor if at any time you may request any thing further of me or of our Society; please feel free to do so at any time.

It will be nice to hear from you again, and I shall be much interested in the progress of your organization plans.

Numismatics here is quite healthy, despite our depression in business. Of course, the fever of a few years ago, caused by the indiscriminate issuance of Commemoratives, has subsided. However this series was responsible for introducing the study of coins to many new collectors, and a good percentage of these have diverted their interests to other series.

Yours sincerely,

Earl Coatsworth
Secretary



C.L. Stillinger
534 North St., N.W.,
Warren, Ohio.

WARREN, OHIO

Sept. 28, 1939.

Mr. Earl Coatsworth, Sec'y,
Western Penna. Numismatic Society,
Pittsburgh, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Recently the Akron Coin Club sent us a corporate membership to their organization in order to promote a greater degree of friendship among neighboring coin clubs. We liked this idea, so we are sending you herewith a corporate membership card to our organization which we trust will be of use to you and that we may have the pleasure of your visits here in Warren.

Our club meets the first and third Wednesday of each month at 8.00 o'clock at the Y.M.C.A.

Sincerely yours,

Trumbull Coin, Stamp & Curio Club.
C. L. Stillinger.
Sec. & Treas.

J. VERNER SCAIFE, JR.
OAKMONT, PA.

October 3, 1939.

Mr. Charles S. Hall,
5619 Fair Oaks Street,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Charlie:

First of all, I want to thank you ever so much for your very nice and considerate special delivery letter of October 2nd which I received last night. I more than appreciated the kind thoughts expressed therein.

" As you know, I am scheduled to give a talk on Bryan money at tonight's meeting but unfortunately, my sister-in-law in Buffalo erroneously took ammonia poison last night and Mrs. Scaife and I must leave for Buffalo at once as my sister-in-law is in a most critical condition. As you know, one thing after another has happened to our family recently and I hope that this spells the end of bad luck.

Therefore, will you please exhibit the specimens of Bryan money which I am leaving at your house. Personally, I feel that the paper I wrote is a rather stupid one but if you think it might be of interest to the members of W.P.N.S., I suggest your having it read by someone.

May I repeat that the reason that I missed the September meeting was due to the death of my father-in-law in Minneapolis? *

With kindest personal wishes to you and the rest of the members especially Bill Woodside and Earl Coatsworth, I am

Sincerely yours,

JVS, Jr:L

* Since July 25th I have made four trips to Minneapolis!

Earl Coatesworth,
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XXXXXX
914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.

October 5, 1939.

Mr. C. L. Stillinger, Sec'y. & Treas.
Trumbull Coin, Stamp & Curio Club
Warren, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

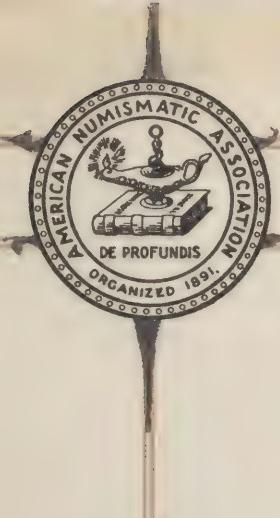
It is with sincere thanks that the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society acknowledges your letter of September 28th, in which we are advised that our Society has been given a Corporate Membership in your good organization.

We trust that at some future date we may be able to accept your kind invitation to attend one of your meetings, and may we extend a cordial invitation of a similar nature to you at this time.

Yours sincerely,

Western Pennsylvania
Numismatic Society

Secretary



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914 Broadway East
McKeeport, Pa.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

I have just been elected President of the A. N. A. and Mr. Hall who has been your District Secretary has sent me his resignation. I am at a loss who to appoint in his place. Knowing there is quite a bit of rivalry between your two clubs, I am passing the buck and asking your club and the other one to get together and try and agree on some one that will be satisfactory to both of you as I do not want to stir up any trouble like we had two years ago.

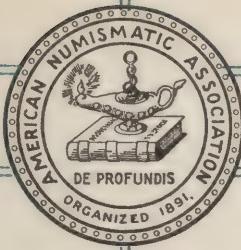
I wish you would do this and let me know as soon as possible who you decide on.

I am writing this same letter to Mr. Gibbs.

Awaiting a reply, I am

Yours truly,
L. W. Hoffecker
L. W. Hoffecker

LWH/M



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914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Penn.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

Mr. H. L. Dell's name has been recommended to me as a good man for District Secretary for Western Pennsylvania. I would like to have your opinion whether this man would be satisfactory to a majority of the members in your District. I would like to get this appointment off my mind but wish to satisfy a majority of the members.

With kind personal regards, I am

L. W. Hoffecker
L. W. Hoffecker



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Mr. Earl Coatsworth, Sec.
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

I wrote you sometime ago asking the two Pittsburgh Clubs to get together on someone that was suitable to both of them for District Secretary. I received a letter from Dr. Hepting advising that you could not agree on anyone and that his club wanted Mr. Gibbs appointed. On account of what happened during Mr. Clarke's administration, I cannot see my way clear to appointing Mr. Gibbs and if you do not agree on someone else, I think I will appoint Mr. Gaede if there is no serious objection to him.

Awaiting a reply, I am

Yours truly,

L. W. Hoffecker

L.W.H/M

914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.
November 29, 1939.

Mr. L. W. Hoffecker, President
American Numismatic Association
P. O. Box 75
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Mr. Hoffecker:

In reply to your (several) letters regarding the appointment of a Secretary to serve the District of Western Pennsylvania for the A. N. A., please be assured that this matter has the consideration of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society and I can promise you that there will be a definite commitment of our opinions and suggestions following our next regular meeting on December 5th.

You are quite correct in assuming that the appointment of Mr. H. D. Gibbs to this office would most certainly not meet with the approval of our Society, as well as other numismatists in this district. As for your suggestion of the name of Mr. William Gaede, we have contacted him on the matter, but find that he flatly refuses to consider an acceptance. This is regrettable, as Mr. Gaede is a fine gentleman, would prove capable, and is no doubt acceptable to both organizations.

Please understand that there is no friction between the two local organizations, as such, and that we feel with you that the district should be represented by a Secretary approved by both societies.

Due to the fact that we had hoped to make a definite recommendation to you without the delay which developed, I must ask your pardon for my neglect in answering you sooner. However, you may expect to hear from me again shortly after the fifth of next month.

Yours very truly,

Earl Coatsworth, Secretary
Western Penna. Numismatic Society

914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.
December 7, 1939.

Mr. L. W. Hoffecker, President
The American Numismatic Association
P. O. Box 75
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Mr. Hoffecker:

In my recent letter to you I advised that The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society would be in position to make a definite recommendation for the office of District Secretary of Western Pennsylvania following its December meeting.

This matter was discussed at the meeting and we are pleased to submit the name of Dr. Paul McBride Gillis for your consideration. Mr. Gillis is a member of both Pittsburgh coin organizations and we are certain that the other club will heartily endorse the suggestion. He is well qualified for the position in every way and is fine gentleman.

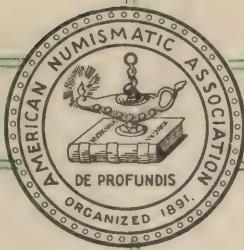
There is but one irregularity in connection with this advice. Mr. Gillis previously held a membership in the A. N. A., but due to certain circumstances found it necessary to allow his membership to lapse. However, he has been actively interested in collecting for some time past and I have known that he intended to seek reinstatement to membership. This he has done, and I have to-day forwarded his application to the A. N. A. Secretary.

If you find it possible to delay the appointment of the District Secretary pending the acceptance of Dr. Gillis' application, I am sure that his appointment will prove satisfactory to all parties concerned.

Trusting that you will have no further difficulties from this sector, and that your tenure proves to be pleasant and successful, I am,

Yours very truly,

Earl Coatsworth, Secretary
Western Penna. Numismatic Society



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Mr. Earl Coatsworth, Secretary
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914 Broadway, East McKeesport, Pa.

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

Received your letter of December 7th in which you submit the name of Dr. Paul McBride Gillis for the District Secretaryship.

I will delay the appointment, giving him time to send in his application, and I will then appoint him on your statement that he is satisfactory to both clubs.

Thanking you for helping me out on this, and wishing you the Compliments of the Season, I am

Yours very truly,

President

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August 2, 1940

Mr. Earl Coatsworth, Secretary
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
East McKeesport, Penna.

Dear Sir:

As I seem to have no opposition for reelection this year, I have every reason to expect I will be elected and would very much like to have a General Secretary who will work with me. Mr. Sheldon resented my election from the start and has gone out of his way to show his dislike for me. I do not think the president of the A. N. A. should be subject to the criticism or under the orders of the secretary.

He started the year by giving my predecessor credit for new members received during 2 months of my year, which would have been all right if he charged him with the expenses for the 2 months but he charged my account with the expenses of the president's office for 2 months before I was installed.

Members in New England came out pretty strong for me last year and by some coincidence not a single member received a ballot up to the time we arrived in New York City for the convention. HE CLAIMS THEY WERE ALL LOST IN THE MAIL -Believe It Or Not! Anyway it cost the Association \$75.00 to get out duplicate ballots and send them airmail special delivery to every member in New England before we could hold an election.

I appointed an Assistant Editor and when I called on Mr. Sheldon for his salary and stationary for his office I was told flatly I would have to obtain them from Mr. Duffield. His short answer left me nothing to do but take the matter up with the Board, who ordered Mr. Sheldon to obey my request and issue vouchers for Mr. Bullowa's salary.

His fulltime job seems to take up so much of time that he cannot do justice to the A. N. A. work. I received complaints from 2 Life Members, who are Members of the Board, about being dunned for their dues. Mr. J. C. Fraser of El Paso paid his dues promptly the first of the year and 3 months later was asked to remit at once. In March I remitted for Dr. R. W. Emery's dues and have my canceled check endorsed by Mr. Sheldon and although nearly 5 months have passed, Dr. Emery has not received his card. I have written Mr. Sheldon twice about this matter but he has not had the courtesy to answer me.

I appointed Mr. T. James Clarke as Chairman of the Auditing and Finance Committee and told Mr. Sheldon to send him necessary reports. He paid no attention to me. After writing him again, he said he was busy and would attend to it later. After 6 or 8 months delay he told me that Mr. Clarke was not entitled to the reports; later he sent him a few reports.

Lyman W Hoffecker
El Paso Texas

He has reported me to the Board on one or two occasions and complained that I did not come clean with him after I was compelled to take matters up with the Board to get the voucher for Mr. Bulowa.

He insisted on handing out printing contracts to his friend s in Chicago. As I must sign the vouchers, I felt it was my duty to ge t the work done as cheaply as possible and by getting bids on the new Directory I saved the Association more than \$300.00. Mr. Sheldon insisted this saving will be taken up in express charges from Baltimore and wrote as late as June 9th that he thought the work should be done in Chicago. He was authorized at the New York convention to prepare copy for this directory to be issued in May but he was to busy to get it ready and the directory is just now in the printer's hands.

I am sending this letter at my cwn expense, notwithstanding it is for the good of the Association and I respectfully ask you to vote for Mr. John W. Gregor, who is Secretary of the Western Reserve Numismatic Club of Cleveland, Ohio, for the office of District Secretar y. Mr. Gregor has had the experience and I can assure you he will work for the good of A. N. A. no matter who is president.

I have gone into details because I do not think that Mr. Sheldon is qualified for the position on account of his lack of business experience and his inclination to let his personal feelings influence him to the detriment of the Association.

Please notice that the By Laws DO NOT COMPEL you to mail your Proxy to Mr. Sheldon. You can designate anyone attending the convention and it can either be mailed or sent by special messenger.

Numismatically yours,

L. W. Hoffecker

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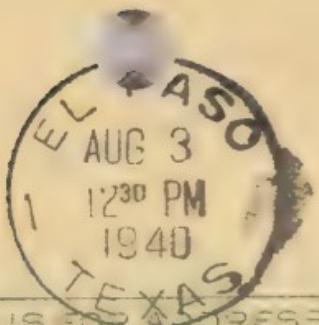
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FOR **GENERAL SECRETARY**

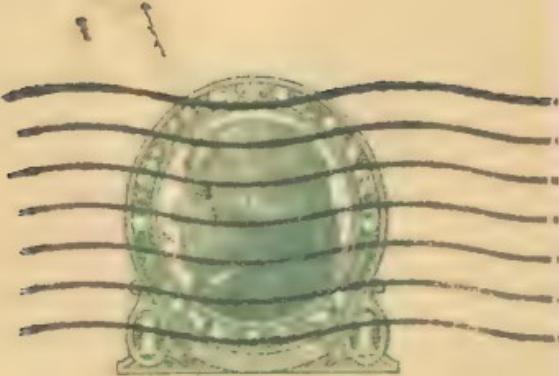
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L. W. Hoffecker

Aug. 3, 1940



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Earl Coatsworth

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Pittsburgh, Pa.

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914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.

August 6, 1940.

The American Numismatic Association:

Resolved: That there shall be published in The Numismatist, in the issue next preceding the Annual Convention of The American Numismatic Association, a biographical sketch of each candidate seeking election to office in the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

Secretary



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Ralph J. Buterbaugh, Sec'y
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Dear Mr. Buterbaugh:

This letter is to wish you the best possible Greetings of the Season under the circumstances of war--a war to Victory. In this spirit our Membership Card for this year was made in the National colors of red, white and blue, and your card for the 1943 Life Membership is inclosed.

The year of 1942 has diverted us from the usual paths of our complacent peacetime life. The effort spent towards an "All out for Victory", dominates every phase of national life, including the American Numismatic Association. The spirit which has prevailed within the Association can be clearly defined as of the best. That our Association has consistently grown, even at this time of national strife, evidences the sound worth of the A.N.A. as an educational institution. Our government has granted exemption from all taxes on the basis of this educational value and our Federal Charter.

Never before in American history, has the subject of numismatics presented itself so broadly to so many. Our over-seas forces are now spread throughout the world and are using a wide variety of mediums of exchange; and in our correspondence with those at the fighting front, this fact can be made known in a most interesting way and as an appealing subject to study. With that thought in mind, may we look forward to a year brighter in the light of Victory.

Fraternally yours,

General Secretary

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enc.

A. E. Coatsworth
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XXXXXXX
914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa./

May 10, 1942

Collector of Internal Revenue
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Sir:

It has just come to my attention that Treasury Department decision No. 5125, dated March 5, 1942, requires Numismatic Societies, among others, to file an information return on Form 990 on or before May 15th, 1942.

Please forward a copy of this form without delay, so that executed copy of same may be submitted before required date.

Yours very truly,

A. E. Coatsworth, Sec'y
914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.

Youngstown, Ohio,
June 13, 1942.

Dear Secretary:

The Youngstown Numismatic Club, and Sheriff Elser, are assuming the responsibility of having a picnic, in behalf of the Penn-Ohio Coin Clubs, at Elser's Grove, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north of North Lima, Ohio, 8 miles south of Youngstown, Ohio, on State Route #7, on July 12, 1942.

There will be a coin auction and bourse.

There will be no charge of any kind for the people who attend this picnic, and there will be entertainment for the children and ladies.

All that it will be necessary for the people to do is to bring a basket lunch for their own party. We will serve coffee and soft drinks, etc.

KINDLY SUBMIT A LIST OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP BY RETURN MAIL SO I CAN NOTIFY THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THIS PICNIC. IN FACT THE SHERIFF INTENDS TO ISSUE A STATION TO EACH INDIVIDUAL REQUESTING HIM TO ATTEND THIS PICNIC.

Our Club will mail the notices and take care of this expense.

Yours very truly,

Youngstown Numismatic Club,

By A. F. Smith
A. F. Smith,
Box #2616, South Side Station,
Youngstown, Ohio.



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INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

PITTSBURGH, PA.

June 30, 1942

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
c/o A. E. Coatsworth, Secretary
914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pennsylvania

Sirs:

Reference is made to your Form 990, Information Return of Organization Exempt or Claiming Exemption from Income Tax, which was received in this office June 5, 1942.

In this connection you are advised that the records fail to disclose that you have been held to be exempt from filing income tax returns. Therefore, in order that a ruling be made by the Commissioner, you will kindly prepare the enclosed questionnaire and return at the earliest possible date. When the same is received it will be associated with Form 990 and both forms forwarded to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Washington, D. C., for approval.

Very truly yours,

Walter L. Miller
Walter L. Miller,
Collector. 33

CMB:RR
Enc. - Form 1023

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JAMES S. BALL, PRESIDENT
1002 DELAWARE AVENUE

JAMES L. GIBSON, SECRETARY
414 NESHANNOCK AVENUE

NEW CASTLE COIN CLUB

NEW CASTLE, PENNSYLVANIA



If I ever get a chance to do it I
Want to come down to your Club
James turn

Now write me and tell me
all about Howard Yell and what
he got into.

I was where the Pittsburgh Coin Club
Has changed their meeting place.

Thursday was the first time I
had been in Ogle for over 2
years I guess it was the last time
I saw you at the Pitts Club

Hoping you are well and ok.
Well close hoping to hear from you
See you soon sincerely James S. Ball

... Convention Committee ...

American Numismatic Association

AUGUST 22, - 27, 1942
HOTEL NETHERLAND PLAZA

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ROOM 409 . . . 18 E. 4th STREET . . . CINCINNATI, OHIO

July 27, 1942.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

From the press releases appearing in the various journals, you undoubtedly have some idea of the grand time awaiting all visitors to the A.N.A. convention in Cincinnati August 22 to 27 next.

I can truly tell you that nothing has been exaggerated, and that the committee expects to stage a convention that will long be remembered by our society.

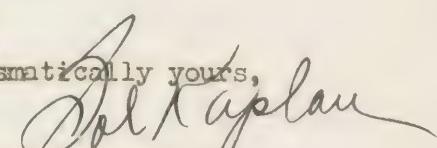
To miss such an affair would almost be a calamity. We want every A.N.A. member to leave no stone unturned in an effort to attend. To create greater interest, we are awarding two handsome trophies for the club having the greatest percentage of its membership in attendance. One goes to the secretary, and the other to the club.

Include a paragraph regarding this convention in your next meeting notice, or, if it has already gone out, a special notice would be a good idea. Keep after your members, and win both for yourself and your society a trophy of this memorable convention.

If for any reason beyond your control, you will personally be unable to attend the convention, you will still be eligible for the prize, so get busy immediately.

Yours for a successful and record-attending convention,

Numismatically yours,


Managing Director.

P.S. Send all reservations for Hotel - Exhibition and bourse to Convention Headquarters, 18 E. Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Address all communications to Convention Headquarters.



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The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
612 Lamar Street,
Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania.

OCT 28 1942

Sirs:

It is the opinion of this office, based upon the evidence presented, that you are exempt from Federal income tax under the provisions of section 101(9) of the Internal Revenue Code and corresponding provisions of prior revenue acts.

Accordingly, you will not be required to file returns of income unless you change the character of your organization, the purposes for which you were organized, or your method of operation. Any such changes should be reported immediately to the collector of internal revenue for your district in order that their effect upon your exempt status may be determined.

Since any organization which is exempt from Federal income tax under the provisions of section 101 of the Internal Revenue Code also is exempt from the capital stock tax pursuant to the express provisions of section 1201(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, you will not be required to file capital stock tax returns for future years so long as the exemption from income tax is effective.

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The collector of internal revenue for your district is being advised of this action.

By direction of the Commissioner.

Respectfully,

Deputy Commissioner.

GEO. H. CLAPP
WOODLAND ROAD, EDGEWORTH
SEWICKLEY, PA.

November 30, 1942.

Mr. Ralph J. Buterbaugh
612 Lamar Avenue
Wilkinsburg, Penna.

Dear Mr. Buterbaugh:

Sorry that I cannot be with you at the W.P.N.S. meeting on Tuesday, December 1st but I do not like to be out in the evenings, especially in the winter, at my time of life and gas rationing is going to make it increasingly difficult to do much extra traveling.

I see that the meeting will be on the cleaning and preservation of coins. I know that there are a great many different schemes in vogue, some good and many very disastrous but as I have been very successful in cleaning copper cents, as I think has been testified by the ones I have been showing at the meetings, I will give my method which is very simple for the benefit of the members.

If the cent is very dirty, I give it a thorough brushing with a tooth brush to get off the loose dirt, then with a goose quill sharpened to a point, I go around the outline of every letter, figure and the wreath and carefully scrape off the dirt under a ten power binocular. When the coin is clean, I brush it again with a medium tooth brush and finish up by giving it a thorough brushing with a jewelers brush such as is used for brushing the dust off silverware which is a Swiss brush made of very fine goat hair and will not mar polished silver. I have just returned to a dealer what should have been a very beautiful 1793 C-7-F cent which had been ruined for my purpose by buffing and lacquering.

For cleaning silver I usually depend on soap and water and thorough rinsing as that will not spoil the surface. Silver coins when very black, as the result of sulphur in the air, can be cleaned by putting them into cyanide of potash but this is dangerous to handle and if the coins are left in it for more than a second or two they will become very white. In the hands of an expert the coin can be cleaned very nicely by just "striking" in the cyanide. That is, just dipping it in, taking it out instantly and washing thoroughly with running water then scrubbing with jewelers soap so as to remove the last traces of the cyanide. I had this treatment on a 1794 dollar and the surface, that is the natural finish, was not injured in the slightest.

I have never tried the acid treatment for copper coins but have had to refuse to buy a great many nice specimens which had been

ruined in that way. Many collectors apparently do not appreciate the beauty of a finally patinated copper coin so try to remove the work of years of time by acid so as to get a red cent which shows that it has been ruined by acid. The finest 1793 C-14-K that I have ever seen and which is now in my collection had had the acid treatment many years ago as is shown by the surface but it has toned down by time and the only evidence of the acid is shown when examined under microscope. This toning can be brought about by sulphur vapor but it has to be watched or it will get too black. My method is to put the cent between two pieces of inner tube under pressure and warm it but if the cent is a fine one, take it out occasionally and brush to remove any black deposit that may form. I only use this method on fine cents where they have been scratched lightly or has been rubbed so that the red of the copper shows thru.

Yours very truly,

George H. Clear,



American Numismatic Association

FROM THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLICITY
99 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Secretary,

The Committee on Papers for the 1942 Convention of the Association takes pleasure in inviting your Club to participate in this important feature of the convention.

It is hoped that each local Club will be represented, and the Committee is asking each Secretary to arrange for one or more of the members of his Club to prepare a paper on some suitable topic for presentation to the Convention. These members will thereby increase their own numismatic knowledge, bring the Club that they represent into prominence, and at the same time contribute most helpfully to the efforts of the Association in increasing interest and knowledge of numismatics in general.

In previous years much time has been used in the Convention meetings in the reading of annual reports of the officers and committees. This year it is planned to reduce this by the preparation and distribution of these reports in advance so that many of them will not have to be read from the floor. This is intended to provide additional time for the reading of papers. All papers submitted will be published in *The Numismatist*.

Papers may be delivered in person by the author if he attends the convention or they may be submitted by mail to me or any other member of the Committee. They should be sent directly to Convention Headquarters, Hotel Biltmore Plaza, Cincinnati, Ohio, if mailed after August 15. If the paper cannot be finished in time, it will be accepted later.

Please let me know as soon as possible how many papers we may expect from your Club, the names of the authors and the titles of the papers.

With best wishes for the continued prosperity of your Club, and with kind personal regards, I remain

Very truly yours,

Lewis M. Reagan
Member of the Committee

Don't be misled by fake advertisements for old coins. Few old coins are worth over face value. Few that carry a premium are in mint condition, and that is what counts. Many of these advertisements are run for other purposes than to get old coins. Anyone having coins can list them with the Numismatic Department of the Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa., and get an appraisal without charge, and their own coins back again if they do not see fit to accept the offer. In many instances those offering coins in answer to advertisements have been robbed by the substitution of coins so badly worn that they have only face value, while with each switch the coin buyer makes, he gets a more perfect coin which eventually he can sell at a premium.

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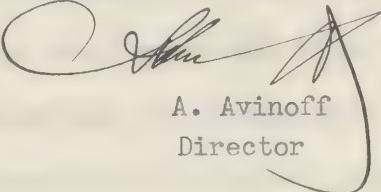
January 14, 1943

Mr. A. E. Coatsworth
Secretary, Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Coatsworth:

The fact has been brought to my attention that the newspapers have printed the enclosed notice, a photostatic copy of which I am sending you. Since it was not the initiative of the Museum to make such a statement in the press, I would greatly appreciate your courtesy in letting me know whether any responsible member of your organization has authorized such an offer. We have received several letters from different cities regarding to the possibility of having coins appraised by our numismatics division as the result of this announcement. I want to thank you for your kindness in answering my request.

Yours cordially,


A. Avinoff
Director

January 19, 1943

Dr. A. Avinoff, Director
Carnegie Museum
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Avinoff:

Your letter of January 14th brings to my attention a copy of a notice from the Pittsburgh newspapers in which it is stated that coins may be presented to the Numismatics Department of your good Institute for appraisal, etc. In answer to your question concerning the responsibility for the publication of this item, please be assured that I had not seen this before, have no knowledge concerning the origin of it, and in addition, that I appreciate your position in regard to such matters. Furthermore, I am almost certain that no member or members of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society are involved; however, the matter shall be presented before the Society when it meets next month. If at that time we are able to secure information about this notice, you shall be promptly advised of same. Of one thing you may be certain at this time, that the Society as an organization has never entertained discussion upon such a subject, and consequently has not sanctioned the publication referred to.

Sincerely yours,

A. H. Coatsworth, President
Western Penna. Numismatic Society



BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

BOSTON, MASS., U. S. A.

Office of the President

January 22, 1943.

Dear Secretary:

Please be so kind as to read this letter at the next meeting of your society. I believe it offers an opportunity for numismatists to secure an interesting and useful, but little known, book--the late Malcolm Storer's, "Numismatics of Massachusetts".

Dr. Storer, who died in 1935, was for many years recognized as the leading numismatist in Massachusetts and his excellent book published in 1923 by the Massachusetts Historical Society, while not touching the field of early state coinages so fully dealt with by Crosby, covers extensively the medals and tokens of the state, cities, institutions, railways, etc.

With nearly 300 pages of text, 38 plates and a full index it lists and describes over 2100 medals, tokens and store cards. The book is in octavo, bound with titled cloth back and heavy board sides.

I have learned recently that a limited number of fresh copies are available at the original issue price of \$4--post free.

Anyone desiring this book should address The Massachusetts Historical Society, 1154 Boylston Street, Boston, Massachusetts, enclosing remittance with order.

I recommend it as an authoritative work, a useful addition to any numismatic library and would add that I have no monetary interest whatever in the matter.

Sincerely yours,

Shepard Pond

Pres. Boston Numismatic Society

JAMES S. BALL, PRESIDENT
1002 DELAWARE AVENUE

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1002 DELAWARE AVENUE

NEW CASTLE COIN CLUB



NEW CASTLE, PENNSYLVANIA

Mr Ralph J Butterbaugh
612 Larimer St
Wickensburg Pa

1002 Delaware Ave
Sat Feb 13-1943

Dear Sir
Was in Pgh on Thursday but did not
get in touch with you.
Dear Mr Gates in Henry Hotel
One of our very active Members has
moved to Pittsburgh so I want you to
get him for your Club His name
is Mr Adrien Supple Manager
of Bell Telephone Co Pitts New Town
Office Pittsburgh
You go down and see him and tell him
I sent you down to take him to
your Club He is a real Man
Keep you all hard at work in
this Strange Way Times

YOUNGSTOWN NUMISMATIC CLUB

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

August 28, 1943.



Ralph J. Butterbaugh, Sec., Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
612 Lamar St.,
Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Dear Mr. Butterbaugh:

The Youngstown Coin Club and the east Liverpool Coin Club, will hold a joint picnic, and outing, at Sheriff Elser's Farm, route #7, at north edge of North Lima, Ohio, on Sunday, September 19, 1943.

This will be a basket picnic, come for lunch at noon, or anytime during the afternoon, and stay for dinner in the evening if you so desire. There are picnic tables, lights, etc. Bring your own food. The Club will furnish coffee, and soft drinks if they are obtainable at the time.

We have had several very enjoyable picnics at the Sheriff's Farm, and we are sure that any of your members who care to attend will find it worth while. We appreciate the fact that transportation facilities are bad at this time, and that most of your members will find it impossible to drive, and a great many of them will be working. However, any of your members who can attend are invited, and if any of them are unable to drive, and care to come to Youngstown by bus or train, if they will report at the Sheriff's office, County Jail, 21 N. Boardman St., we will furnish transportation, to the farm and back to the jail.

Kindly advise as many of your members as possible, and we will appreciate having as many of your members and their families, as possible, attend.

Yours respectfully,

W. Smith.

AKRON COIN CLUB

MEMBER
American Numismatic Association

AKRON, OHIO

Oct. 24, 1949.

Western Penn. Numismatic Society.

Ralph J. Butterbaugh Sec'y.

Advance Notice.

The Akron Coin Club is planning an Open House Meeting, Saturday afternoon and evening, November 15th, at the Portage Hotel Akron, Ohio.

We expect to have a large auction, dealers bourse, public displays, talks by numismatists of note, door prizes, and a banquet in the evening.

You will receive full details later, but please give this notice full publicity among your membership, so they may arrange to keep this date open.

Very truly yours,

M.B. Fenton Sec'y.

2857 Bailey Rd.

Guyahoga Falls, Ohio.



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P. O. Box 548

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

August 12, 1944

Mr. T. W. Peters
Crescent Hills
Pittsburgh 21, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Peters:

I regret to say that your report of the July 5 meeting of the W.P.N.S. was not received until August 7, when if it was to appear in the August issue, it should have reached me not later than July 15. These reports lose their news value entirely if held over for an extra 30 or 60 days. I will be glad to have these sent in promptly after each meeting, and trust you will find it possible to do this in the future.

I note that the Society was founded in June of 1878, making it one of the oldest in the United States, and I have no doubt that in the hands of a competent writer an acceptable history of the society could be written and published in The Numismatist.

You may recall that a number of our older organizations were so treated last year in the magazine; and I had hoped to continue this, but there has been some delay in certain quarters, and they cannot be resumed again until a little later. I wish, however, that you would give me your considered opinion on this suggestion, talking the matter over with your President and any other members you like, and then writing me at your very earliest convenience. The preparation of this should not be burdensome to the one who assumes it, and I will be glad to take up the plan with anyone who, after careful consideration, may be recommended for the task.

Cordially yours,

Burton H. Saxton

Editor and Business Manager.

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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

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FROM THE OFFICE OF
THE GENERAL SECRETARY

January 10, 1945

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
Mr. Ralph J. Buterbaugh, Secy.
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Dear Mr. Buterbaugh:

It is my pleasure and privilege to extend to you and to the members of the society, the greetings and best wishes of the Association for the New Year, and to inclose your Life Membership card for the current year.

Cordially yours,

Lewis M. Reagan
General Secretary

August 2, 1946
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Western Penna Numismatic Society.

Gentlemen:

I hereby offer my resignation
in your society as I have lost
considerable interest since my
return to civilian life from the
Army

I thank you gentleman for
your kindness and also for your interest
in me as a new collector.

I thorly enjoyed the few meetings
I attended with my Uncle, O.W. Bullion,
and hold your society in the highest
esteem

Enclosed find check for payment of
dues for 1946

Sincerely yours
Bud Bullion

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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY BETWEEN 155TH AND 156TH STS.
NEW YORK 32, N.Y.

4 Sept., 1946.

Mr. J. S. Kochmar,
213 Grant Avenue, Millvale,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Kochmar:

Thank you very much for the program of the meetings to be held by the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society for the coming year. We deeply appreciate your generosity in making this addition to our collection of material recording numismatic activities.

Very truly yours,

Sawyer McA. Mosser.

Sawyer McA. Mosser
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160 6TH AVENUE

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PHONE NORTH 8302-W

Dear Collector:

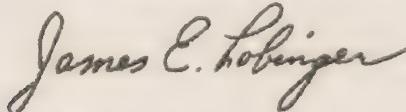
Some members of your club may be interested in obsolete bank notes. I am taking the liberty of enclosing for your inspection, five sets of Maryland notes, 1, 2, 3 and 5 dollar denominations. Signed and in crisp, uncirculated condition.

I have listed these notes at \$1.00 per set of four (one of each denomination). This offer is made in good will, and to further the interest in this type of collection.

A stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience in remittance or return of notes. Your comments will be welcomed.

I am interested in purchasing duplicates, lots or accumulations of obsolete notes.

Sincerely



Member of Albany Numismatic Association.

914 Broadway
East McKeesport, Pa.
July 18, 1947

Dear John:

The Numismatic Society will hold a social meeting at Webster Hall Hotel on August 5th. Suggest you send notices about 10 days in advance; also copy on same the exhibits called for in the annual program; also "Assessment for Refreshments".

Sorry I have not been able to attend last two meetings, but will see you at next meeting. If you have the opportunity, bring along the type set of fractional currency which we discussed previously.

Sincerely,

Earl



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May 28th, 1947

Dear John -

as matters now develop, I shall be unable to attend the meeting, due to a conflict with the final meeting of the Playhouse Board before summer. Naturally this is a matter of regret, for I had looked forward to it, and to presenting the report of the Nominating Committee.

However, I am forced to enclose that report, and to ask that you give it to Dr. Hepling or Bill Piper to present, if they are present at the meeting. If by bad luck neither should be there, will you please read it, as Secretary.

I also appreciate your mentioning that the Publicity Committee, having done no work, can't get up enough courage to make a report!

Will look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely

Bill Woodside

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Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

FOUNDED JUNE 14, 1878

January 7, 1948 *Rm*

Mr. L. S. Thurman
History Department /d
University of Pgh.
Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

Dear Mr. Thurman,

I wish to express to you the thanks and appreciation of the members of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society for your interesting discussion of the cotton industry in Pittsburgh. Judging by the comments of individual members your remarks were not only instructive but a source of real pleasure to us all.

We hope that we shall again have the privilege of your attendance at one of our meetings and that we may have an opportunity of extending you more hospitality than was possible last Tuesday evening.

Yours very sincerely,

SIDNEY K. EASTWOOD
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FOUNDED JUNE 14, 1878

June 17, 1947

Copy of letter sent to:

Mr. S. E. Rudert
Mr. G. J. Regensberger

Dear Sir:

At the meeting of June 3, 1947, of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, it was decided to advise the secretary to notify you of your arrearages in dues, which, no doubt is due to an unintentional oversight on your part. As you probably know, the by-laws provide that a member who is in arrears in his dues will automatically be expelled. You probably are aware also that dues are payable one year in advance on June 1st. At the present time you are four years in arrear.

We are desirous in getting this matter settled in the near future, so that a report can be made at the next meeting.

We know you are deeply interested in our society, its aims and its program and we feel certain that you do not desire that the by-laws be invoked against you.

We are looking forward to a favorable reply from you at your earliest possible convenience.

Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

J. S. Kachmar

Secretary-Treasurer

Y. A. SARGIS, M. D.
662 ROSE BUILDING
CLEVELAND 15, OHIO

Aug. 2nd, 1947

Western Penna. Numismatic Society
Crescent Hills,
Pittsburgh, 21, Penna.

Att. of Mr. T. Winsor Peters, Sec.

Dear Friends:-

The glorious Penn Ohio Association for the last few years has been at a standstill with but a flickering light kept burning by the Youngstown Coin Club.

That flickering light changed to a luminous torch at our Penn Ohio picnic held at Geauga Lake, July 20th, 1947.

Again, thanks to Mr. Smith for his great effort and enthusiasm in arranging so successful an outing.

I rejoiced at the enthusiastic faces present as our Business Meeting came to order under the capable direction of Mr. Lawrence. His impressive talk aroused a still deeper interest to reorganize the Association.

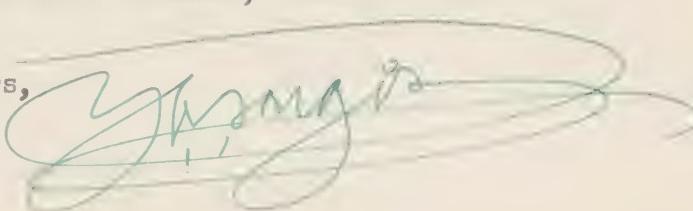
Please allow me to thank you with all my heart for electing me as your President. By placing your confidence in me, you have my wholehearted support. Nothing can please me more than to serve you well. My association and activity with such fine and enthusiastic people will keep me young.

You will hear shortly from the Secretary as to the activity we are planning for the Association.

Will you please address me personally as to what night you meet and where, as I would like to make a pilgrimage with my associates to each club, bringing with me some very rare and unusual coins. I would like to visit the most distant Clubs before December, due to bad weather.

I thank you again and until we meet, I am

Most sincerely yours,



SIDNEY K. EASTWOOD
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Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

FOUNDED JUNE 14, 1878

John S. Kachmar
October 8, 1947

The Fine Arts and Museum Society
of Carnegie Institute
4400 Forbes Street
Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

Gentlemen

At the last meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, I was instructed to subscribe in the name of that organization to a contributing membership in your society.

The Society's check in the amount of \$25.00 is enclosed.

Please send all mail in care of :
Mr. John S. Kachmar
213 Grant Avenue (Rear)
Pittsburgh 9, Pa.

Sincerely yours

J. S. Kachmar

Secretary

Enclosure

Penn-Ohio Coin Clubs

AN ASSOCIATION OF COIN CLUB MEMBERS IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND EASTERN OHIO
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2-14-48

T. Windsor Peters, Secy.,
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
Crescent Hills,
Pittsburgh, 21, Pa.

Dear Mr. Peters :-

The membership of Penn-Ohio Coin Clubs is not increasing as it should, for, since the date of the late summer get-together in Geauga Lake Park Ohio, in 1947 when Officers for the year were elected, the membership has become only forty, this despite the pledge of cooperation on the part of those who represented various individual clubs who present at that meeting.

Accordingly so that it may become possible for plans to be laid for the year, may I call your attention to the fact that no organization has ever been able to provide so much in benefits, knowledge, education and, general good-fellowship for so small an annual enrollment fee, one dollar per person per year, as Penn-Ohio Coin Clubs. Therefore, at your next Club meeting will you make inquiry of your members and, thereafter forward a check to me for the members who would like to become enrolled, together with the names and addresses of those prospective members.

When Dr. Y.A.Sargis was elected President of Penn-Ohio last summer, he was pledged the cooperation of the various representatives of the clubs whose members attended, yet to date, there are but forty members as stated, and, those members are largely from Youngstown and Cleveland clubs.

Doubtless you as well as all your members know that we were indeed fortunate in having Dr. Sargis accept the Presidency for, there are few men who are more learned numismatists and, none perhaps better equipped to discuss and display ancient coins.

It will be pleasant to hear from you following your next Club meeting and, it is my hope that your Club continues on most successfully.

Yordially yours,



A.J. Croshier
A.J. Croshier-Secy-Treas.,
4384 West 146th Street
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March 12, 1948

Dear Mr. Secretary:-

It is only a matter of a few weeks before National Coin Week arrives.

I do hope that each and everyone of you have made elaborate plans to insure success.

As a last reminder, and I trust that you won't consider me repetitious, may I refer you once again to the rules which were promulgated in the January Numismatist, the excellent lead article in the February Numismatist, which can be used as a basis for any scripts or talks and the fine awards about which you read in the March Numismatist. In these three references I have tried to make the text as easy and clear so that there will be no questions.

In the April Numismatist you will find directions regarding the reports, and may I, at this time, urge that you submit them as soon as Coin Week ends.

On several occasions, numerous excellent suggestions have been given, and wherever possible they have been adopted. Your committee has been most grateful for these.

Once again may I offer each and everyone of you my very best wishes for a successful Coin Week.

Sincerely,

Charles L. Douglas
Charles M. Wormser
Chairman

CMW:hd



AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Chartered by Congress

EDWARD FOGLER, Chairman
Club Organization Committee
717 Sutter Street
SAN FRANCISCO 9, CALIF.

March 15th. 1943

Mr. John S. Kachmar
Secretary
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
213 Grant Avenue
Millvale, Pa.

DEAR FELLOW MEMBER:

WE BOTH DERIVE A GREAT DEAL OF PLEASURE FROM THE HOBBY OF COIN COLLECTING, ESPECIALLY SO FROM OUR CONTACTS WITH OTHER COLLECTORS. AS YOU ARE WELL AWARE, MORE THAN 7,000 COIN COLLECTORS ARE MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, AND AS SUCH, HAVE AVAILABLE TO THEM THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF THE BEST MINDS OF THIS ORGANIZATION, AS PUBLISHED IN ITS OFFICIAL MAGAZINE, THE NUMISMATIST, THE USE OF ITS EXTENSIVE NUMISMATIC LIBRARY, AS WELL AS MANY OTHER ADVANTAGES TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION. YOUR CLUB IS WELL AWARE OF THESE ADVANTAGES, AS SHOWN BY ITS MEMBERSHIP IN THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION.

A COMMITTEE HAS BEEN RECENTLY BEEN APPOINTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING AN INVITATION OF MEMBERSHIP TO THOSE COLLECTORS WHO ARE NOT NOW MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, SO THAT THEY CAN AVAIL THEMSELVES OF THESE ADVANTAGES. TO ACCOMPLISH OUR OBJECT, WE ASK YOUR CO-OPERATION IN A VERY SMALL WAY.

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS PLEASE SEND ME A LIST CONTAINING THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR CLUB. WE WILL CHECK THIS LIST AGAINST THE A. N. A. ROSTER AND THEN CONTACT EACH MEMBER OF YOUR CLUB WHO IS NOT PRESENTLY AFFILIATED WITH THE A. N. A. SIMPLE, IS IT NOT?

WILL YOU THEREFORE MAKE IT YOUR FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS TO SEND ME SUCH LIST? ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE, I THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION AND I AM SURE THAT THOSE MEMBERS OF YOUR CLUB WHO WILL JOIN THE A. N. A. WILL AGAIN THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.

CORDIALLY YOURS,

CLUB ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

EDWARD FOGLER, CHAIRMAN

Dallas, Texas.

May 13, 1948.

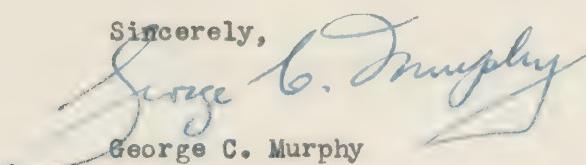
Mr. John S. Kachmar, Secretary
Western Pa. Numismatic Society
213 Grant Ave.
Millvale, Pa.

Dear Mr. Kachmar:

On February 20, 1948, I mailed to Mr. T. Winsor Peters, as secretary of the Western Pa. Num. Soc. at Crescent Hills, Pittsburgh 21, Pa., some obsolete paper money, consisting of 10 pieces of the Canal Bank, New Orleans, La., together with a self addressed stamped envelope for the return of the notes, if none of the club members were interested. Having had no reply by April 28, 1948, I mailed a post card to Mr. Peters, at the same address, and so far have received no reply.

In as much as it has been 12 weeks since I sent this material to Mr. Peters, I wonder if you could advise me whether this material was turned over to you, or if you know what disposition was made of it, or whether thru an oversight it has been mislaid? I would appreciate some advice in reference to same, and am enclosing a self addressed stamped envelope for your convenience.

Sincerely,


George C. Murphy

615 No. Clinton Ave.

Dallas 11, Texas.

Penn-Ohio Coin Clubs

AN ASSOCIATION OF COIN CLUB MEMBERS IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND EASTERN OHIO
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5/15/48

Peters
T.Winsor, Secretary,
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society,
Crescent Hills,
Pittsburgh, 21, Pa.,

Dear Mr. Peters :-

PENN-OHIO COIN CLUBS, under the direction of Dr. Y.A.Sargis, President, and, Mr. Ray Lawrence, Vice President, has arranged the EVENT WHICH HAS BEEN EXPECTED FOR MANY, MANY MONTHS. What is it ?.....Why, it's :-

THE ANNUAL DISPLAY, AUCTION AND BANQUET
Saturday
June 12th-1948
(Noon until late or later)
at the
AVIATION AND EL RANCHO ROOMS, HOTEL CARTER in
CLEVELAND OHIO

DISPLAYS will be made-ready for inspection at noon sharp and, dont forget, those who wish display cases reserved, should notify the writer AT ONCE, for, the supply available, is limited and, will be offered to those wishing them, in the order the requests are received until the supply is exhausted.

AUCTION... ..will begin at one-thirty sharp (1:30 P.M.) and, will include, coins, currency, and stamps, continueing u til all lots are disposed of.

DINNER....will be served at EXACTLY SEVEN O'CLOCK (7:00 P.M.) with a choice of Roast Turkey, Roast Chicken, Roast Ham or Roast Lamb, based of advance preference shown when making reservations, will cost \$3.00 per dinner per person. There will be music to soothe the excitement of the auction and, speakers to whom you will be glad you listened, with short, but interesting talks.

RESERVATIONS with payment for dinners should be mailed promptly to the writer indicating main dish preference. Your name, address, \$3.00 and choice of meat, please?

DOOR PRIZES.....in short, a generally fine time can be expected and, remembers, this i s an invitation TO ALL.....Members and NON MEMBERS and, should not be missed by anyone who is interested in a good time, and/or numismatics.

COME EARLY AND STAY LATE, wont you ? Meet old friends again and, make new friends, and, when you leave, rest assured it will be with that realization that you have enjoyed every minute of the time spent.

Yours, in the interest of good-fellowship and Numismatics,

Sincerely,

REPLY SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE OFFICER SIGNING THIS COMMUNICATION

Note * Address :- 4384 West 146th Street
Cleveland, 11, Ohio.

A.J.Croshier-Secy-Treas.

G. Croshier

Please con.
Do this messege
your members? ~

1000 Library Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pa., U.S.A.

Dear Dr. Ladd,

J. W. Dwyer, Librarian
Feb. 17
Wellesley, Mass.

Dear Dr. Dwyer:

Our club has authorized the purchase of one
unbound copy and volume of the Harvard-
List for the library.

I would like to place the order for this
volume and will be pleased to have you send
it to me at the address above. I understand
the price is due same as before or per the
recommendation of the Librarian.

Thanking you for your kind attention and
best wishes.

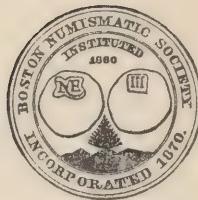
Sincerely

Prosper de Selva, Curator
Modern Period, Harvard Library.

Kachmar



AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION



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Greetings from Boston.

Intensive and extensive plans are progressing favorably for a record-breaking A.N.A. Convention in this City next August. A large staff of sub-committee chairmen are preparing all departments for wide-scope activity. The State of Massachusetts, the City of Boston, the Chamber of Commerce and many civic and business organizations are co-operating with us.

During their recent visit, the A.N.A. National Convention Committee expressed complete satisfaction with the progress of our program. They expressed great pleasure with the physical arrangements of the planned exhibition, bourse and business quarters, all of which are on the ground floor of the Copley-Plaza Hotel.

Room reservations are now being accepted. Entire families will arrive earlier and stay later than the Convention period. There is much to see and do when in Boston. Collector Clubs are organizing parties for sociable traveling. Hotel room reservations should be made early. See the March NUMISMATIST magazine for rates.

Included in the many souvenir items of the Convention will be an elaborate publication containing the daily business program, the contemporary activities of Convention week, a descriptive list of the official auction sale, AND a limited number of pages assigned for advertising. Eleven thousand copies of these big booklets will be distributed to all A.N.A. members, many non-affiliated collectors, and Convention registrants.

We have already accepted applications from Collector Clubs for advertising space expressing their greetings to the Numismatic World, or inviting the A.N.A. to their cities in the future, etc. Perhaps you, too, would like to express your greetings to eleven thousand recipients of the official journal.

An application form is enclosed for your convenience. May we have your early reply as an appreciative aid to a tremendous task? We thank you in advance for the slightest participation in this national promotion.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Schuhmacher,
General Chairman.

HS/h

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230 So. Winebiddle Street
Pittsburgh 24, Pa

Mar. 25. 1948

Mr. John S. Kashmar, Secy.

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

Pittsburgh Pa.

Dear Mr. Kashmar:-

Please accept this as my resignation from the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society.

As I have completely withdrawn from the collection of coins I see no point to continue my membership.

Very truly yours

G. G. Welch

NATIONAL COIN WEEK

APRIL 22-28, 1949

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A. KOSOFF
8943 Wilshire Blvd.
Beverly Hills, Calif.

January, 1949

Asst. Chairman

CHRISTIAN M. PETERSEN
Chehalis, Washington

To District and Club Secretaries:

Please read at your next club meeting

Once again we numismatists welcome National Coin Week. President Gettys has designated the week of April 22 to 28 as the time for all good coin collectors to come to the aid of their hobby.

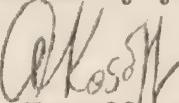
It's our chance to publicize numismatics, to get the most out of our hobby and to encourage others to follow our pursuits. We can approach the public library, the school, the department store; all will gladly welcome us for the interesting, historical and educational value which our display will offer. Local newspapers, magazines, radio stations and television stations will gladly devote time and space if you will only contact them. They are more anxious to get these educational features than you think. Banks too, are excellent locales for exhibits.

And - as if participation was not its own reward, there are prizes donated by the A.N.A. and by the coin dealers. Clubs will receive special awards. Individuals are offered a series of prizes. Standards for the awards appeared on page 5 of the January Numismatist, read them.

Clubs generally appoint a COIN WEEK COMMITTEE including those who desire to participate. A good idea is to make your last meeting before April 22nd a COIN WEEK meeting. Discuss your plans and check up on your arrangements.

Friends, I would appreciate a postal card telling me that you plan to participate in this year's National Coin Week.

Cordially yours,


A. Kosoff, Chairman

If secretary has been changed, please forward.

Oka, March 31, 1949.

Mr. John S. Kachmar
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
213 Grant Ave (Millvale)
Pittsburg. Pa. U.S.A.

Sir:

I would like to sell a part of my stock of CANADA, 1942, twelve sided nickels, uncirculated.

I take the liberty of sending to you, herewith, one of these nickels, in order that you realize that it deserves a place in every general coin collection.

Many of the members of your Club would, no doubt, be interested by my offer. If so, please, let me know the price they woulp pay.

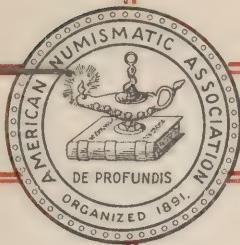
Yours most obliged



Gérard Marcoux
A.N.A. 11527

Oka, P.Q., Canada.

GM/m



AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

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Davenport, Iowa, April 18, 1949

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WESTERN RESERVE NUMISMATIC CLUB
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Gentlemen:

In view of the fact that our primary interest is the enlargement and betterment of the American Numismatic Association, your proxy resolution is an amazing document. To advocate the change or elimination of proxies is one thing, but to make vicious, unfounded, unwarranted, and untrue attacks upon General Secretary Reagan is, to say the least, unfair and reprehensible. You did not even submit to him the text of the resolution for his consideration and comment, but proceeded immediately to broadcast it with erroneous allegations. Surely it is not unreasonable to assume that members of a learned and cultural society would carry on any dealings with each other by honorable methods only.

Your resolution states that at the last two conventions the Secretary "merely flashed his proxies before the assembled delegates." That distortion is typical of every statement in the resolution. For your information the proxies are always in the hands of the proxy committee. Therefore, it would have been physically impossible for the Secretary to perform such an act as you allege. Another distortion of fact is the statement that the Secretary "advised the delegates that any arguments on their part were absolutely useless, for he personally was opposed to the measure under discussion." A reading of the proceedings of both conventions, which are fully set forth in the October issues of *The Numismatist* for the years 1947 and 1948, will prove beyond question that this statement is without any basis whatsoever, and the accusation totally unjustified. The authors of the resolution are respectfully referred to peruse and ponder over the Biblical admonition set forth in Proverbs 12:22.

To those persons who are misinformed, I am proud to say that no member is more loyal to the ANA than Lew Reagan. How many of his critics would work more than sixty hours each week at the paltry salary we pay him? He makes many trips on week-ends organizing new clubs, reviving old ones, and at no expense to the ANA. Lew spends each year from his own personal funds about \$1500. in ANA interests. He knows by their first names many hundreds of our members; they have faith in him and he has never violated that faith or betrayed their trust. The great majority of the membership of the Western Reserve Numismatic Club is not to be censured for the misinformation communicated to it by a very few of their members.

It is generally conceded that everyone has a full right to his own opinion on any subject, especially if it is based on facts. Often there is more or less merit to conflicting views on every problem which, moreover, it is possible to discuss fairly and without personal attacks or personal bias. Let us now proceed in such a fashion to the matter of proxies.

How can any one advocate that the business of the ANA can be conducted in a "democratic manner" by abolishing proxies? The suggestion is a negation of democratic representation since to eliminate proxies would deprive the overwhelming majority of the members who do not attend the annual meetings of the right to be represented, and of the right to have their votes cast for them by their own nominees.

There is no corporation of any nature in our country where the proxy system is not in existence. One can easily picture a situation at an annual meeting where a mere handful might be present and perpetrate upon the association irreparable harm.

The proposal to abolish proxies is not based on logical consideration of fundamentals. Proponents of the proposal first seek to abolish entirely Sec. 4 of Article VII. The latter part of that section distinctly states that the authorization in the proxies "shall not extend to the election of officers nominated on the official ballot." Now what could be more democratic than that system? By its elimination, a small organized group at an annual meeting could control every election and there would be thrust upon the association a self-anointed, a self-appointed, and a self-perpetuated group of officials. The present provision has been carefully considered by numerous numismatists during the long history of our association. It is a valuable bulwark and safeguard to the ANA and to each and every member thereof.

As to Section 5 and subsection b of Section 6 of Article VII, it is respectfully submitted that nothing could be fairer than the restrictions set forth therein; and a careful reading thereof will confirm this contention. The phraseology represents the unanimous opinion not only of the authors of the article, two of whom were Past Presidents, and two were lawyers, but the unanimous vote of the members of the association when it was adopted at the annual convention on August 20, 1946.

The most glaring blunder, undue haste, and complete ignorance of our fundamental corporate structure are displayed by the proposed resolution to strike out the following words of Article VIII, Section 5, "or represented by proxy and the approval by a majority of the Board of Governors."

Let me remind you that the ANA operates under a Federal Charter granted to it by the 62nd Congress on May 9, 1912. Section 5 of that Charter provides:-

"That the control of such corporation shall be vested in a board of five governors to be elected by the members of such association."

To The Members of The Western
Reserve Numismatic Club

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When the By-Laws were last written, the committee was confronted with the situation that it could not ignore the Federal law on the control of the corporation. This legal problem was solved by the present section, which contains no provisions inconsistent with the Charter. Even if the proxy voting was eliminated, the association cannot under the present Charter eliminate the control by the Board of Governors as provided in the Federal Charter.

Sincerely yours,

Loyd B. Gettys
LOYD B. GETTYS, PRESIDENT.

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Gentlemen:

Even in honorable and respected organizations, there comes a time when certain members, through illegal or dishonorable methods, attempt to grasp control to the detriment of the high purposes of the organization. This is generally done through the advocating of elimination of traditions, or through violation of the articles of incorporation, all for the purpose of obtaining personal satisfaction and aggrandizement.

It is regrettable that such a situation has arisen in the American Numismatic Association. Upon consultation with board members I have come to the conclusion that it is democratic and only fair to all concerned to inform the local clubs of what has happened, and to state the position of the national office regarding the matter.

Specifically, I am referring to a purported resolution which you have received from the Western Reserve Numismatic Club of Cleveland, Ohio, and am enclosing answer to the points at issue.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Loyd B. Gettys". Above the signature, the text "Sincerely yours" is written in a smaller, cursive font.

LOYD B. GETTYS, PRESIDENT.

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Our Themes

TERRITORIAL
GOLD COINS
of the
UNITED STATES
and
THE DOUBLE EAGLE

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Club
Mr. John S. Kackmar
313 Grant Avenue
Millvale, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Kackmar:

Mr. Abe Kosoff our capable chairman, has asked me to prepare an outline for radio script. This to be used during National Coin Week, if you so desire.

Your script should be written so that a ten or twelve year old youngster can understand it.

Stay away from Numismatic terms that the average public does not understand.

Use short sentences. Cut out unnecessary words. Remember your script is spoken not just read. Proper emphasis and timing puts life into your script.

There are 77 million radio listeners in the nation, make each one feel you are personally speaking to him. Your important announcement should be repeated at the end as well as the beginning.

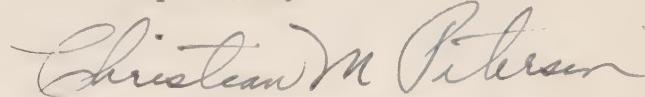
I believe five minute shorts are more effective in holding interest. However those of you with experience probably would prefer a fifteen minute program.

Cannot you just see the listeners, unconsciously taking a few coins from his pocket, and looking for the date and mint mark. Thats the start brother, thats the start.

The enclosed scripts are merely a guide for five minute shorts. I know many of you have considerable ability.

For Numismatics sake use it!
Good Luck and Good Broadcasting;

Respectfully



Christian M. Peterson, Asst. Chairman
National Coin Week.

The New York Numismatic Club

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VERNON L. BROWN
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July 21, 1950

Fellow Numismatists

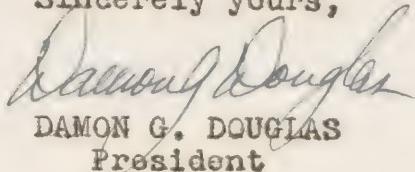
This is to extend a cordial invitation to all the members of your club to join with us in celebrating our 500th consecutive regular monthly dinner meeting which will be held Friday, August 11th, 1950, 7:00 P.M. at the Building Trades Employers Association, 2 Park Avenue, New York City.

There will be an informal get-together and exhibition of items pertaining to the club's history at 6:00 P.M. preceding the dinner. Mr. Fred C. C. Boyd, Mr. George H. Blake and others of our pioneer members will combine to make the occasion a memorable one.

A card is enclosed on which I would appreciate hearing from you as to any of your folks who might be able to be with us so that proper arrangements can be made for them.

With warm greetings and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,


DAMON G. DOUGLAS
President

DGD:RN

July 25, 1950.

Dear Mr. Kachmar:

On returning from a vacation trip my mail included Mr. Katen's "Committee of Eighty" letter of July 10th together with a recommended slate of new officers for the A.N.A. The inclusion of my name on this list, without my knowledge or consent, is both complimentary and embarrassing to me. Being human it is pleasant to know others consider me "sound, conservative and progressive." But - this is also embarrassing in that some A.N.A. members might be lead to believe that the appearance of my name on this slate indicates my approval of the candidacy of the others listed as well as approval of Mr. Katen's letter of July 10th,

I am not supporting the other candidates listed on this slate.

I emphatically disapprove of the content and language of Mr. Katen's letter of July 10th.

Constructive criticism is the vitalizing factor in every organization. Without it we stagnate! However, charges carelessly made, vindictive accusations and personal abuse should have no place in any learned organization.

No one is so foolish as to claim that all of our A.N.A. officers have been "on the beam" in every decision they have made. It is evident, in my opinion, that room for improvement exists, for example, in the public relations field. But I do honestly believe that the heavy majority of decisions made have been in the best interest of our Association. Therefore, I am supporting the present officers for re-election.

At the Buffalo A.N.A. Convention it was my pleasure to witness first hand the splendid manner in which members of that club organized and carried through the convention program. I am loath to believe that a majority of the Buffalo Club, or of the Rochester and New Haven Clubs approve of the rough-neck, mud slinging type of campaign reflected in Mr. Katen's July 10 letter.

As I am still on vacation and short of clerical assistance, I am taking the liberty of sending this letter in mimeograph form. Please regard this as a personal letter.

Sincerely,

O. H. Dodson

OHD:et
CAPT. O. H. DODSON, USN
Professor of Naval Science
University of Illinois
Urbana, Illinois.

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Mr. John S. Kachman, Sec.
213 Grant Avenue
Millvale, Pittsburgh 9, Pa.

Dear Mr. Kachman:

Under separate cover we are sending you the new 1951 Whitman Guide Book which has just come off the press. Please accept this book for your club library so that the members may avail themselves of the opportunity of this new reference book.

It has been our experience that too few collectors take the opportunity to make use of Numismatic books unless they are readily available.

If convenient, we would appreciate your sending us a roster of your coin club members as we would like to send them free literature as published by us.

Sincerely,

HOLLINBECK STAMP & COIN CO.

Paul Kagin
Paul Kagin

PK:bld

P.S. Please send us a membership application.

5110 Friendship Avenue,
Pittsburgh 24, Penna.
4 December 1955

Mr. Richard T. Foley, Secy.,
West. Penna. Numismatic Society,
1286 Folkstone Drive,
Mt. Lebanon,
Pittsburgh 16, Penna.

Dear Mr. Foley:

Because of retirement and leaving the city for a long and indefinite time, it becomes necessary for me to resign my membership in the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society.

I regret the necessity of this step as I have enjoyed my membership and my associations with the men in the Society for many years. I shall miss them.

Very truly yours,

Sidney K. Eastwood
Sidney K. Eastwood.

New Netherlands Coin Co., Inc.

January 13, 1956

Mr. Charles M. Wormser, President
New Netherlands Coin Co., Inc.
1 W. 47th Street - Suite 401
New York 36, New York

Dear Mr. Wormser:

First, I want to apologize for not having answered your letter of November 22, 1955 before this late date. The reason being that I wanted to read your letter at our regular December meeting as it is a regulation of our Society that membership lists cannot be given out without the consent of the members. Due to illness, I was unable to be present at the December meeting and your letter was read at our January 3rd meeting.

It was decided at that meeting to forward our membership list to you and also to express, again, our appreciation for your presence at our Annual Dinner in November and your fine talk at that time.

Therefore, I am pleased to enclose a copy of our current membership list.

Permit me to say that I, as well as the rest of the members, thoroughly enjoyed your very interesting talk and hope we may be privileged to have you address us again at some future time. With kindest personal regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

Secretary-Treasurer

RTF:cd
enc.

New Netherlands Coin Co., Inc.

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1 WEST 47TH STREET
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PHONES PLAZA 7-5245-6

November 22, 1955

Mr. Richard T. Foley
723 Farmers Bank Bldg.
Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

My dear Mr. Foley:

I want to express to you my appreciation for the courtesy shown me by the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society on Saturday last.

It was a privilege to address the Club and particularly, to be honored on the occasion of the annual dinner.

Quite a few of the members mentioned that they would like to be placed on our mailing list and I was wondering if it would be at all possible for you to send me the membership list so that I can do this.

I do hope to have the pleasure of seeing you in the not too distant future, and with warm personal regards.

Very sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.

Charles M. Wormser

Charles M. Wormser
President

CMW:dn

January 24, 1956

Mr. Lee F. Newitt, Editor
The Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine
7320 Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago 31, Illinois

Dear Mr. Newitt:

Attached hereto is Organization Card of our society for your records.

Regarding the second paragraph of your letter, I spoke to Mr. Henrion regarding his January talk to the Society and he has promised that he will rewrite his paper so that it is suitable for publication in the Scrapbook. He promised to do this within the next week or so and as soon as I receive the paper, I will forward it to you.

With best regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

Secretary

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Richard T. Foley
1286 Folkstone Drive
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Pittsburgh 16, Penna.

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Sincerely
Lee S. Hendel

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3rd Floor Brown Building

The NUMISMATIC SCRAPBOOK MAGAZINE

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CHICAGO 31, ILLINOIS

LEE F. HEWITT—Editor

Jan. 19, 1956

Dear Mr. Foley:

Regarding listing of Western Pa. Soc. in our JOIN A CLUB column — will you please fill in the enclosed card and return it to me — and I'll be very happy to include your organization in next publication.

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Lee F. Hewitt

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January 13, 1956

Mr. Lee F. Hewitt, Editor
The Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine
7320 Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago 31, Illinois

Dear Mr. Hewitt:

Under the date of June 9, 1955 we submitted information for listing our Society in the Organization Directory of The Numismatic Scrapbook.

We notice in the last issue that the Society still has no listing and request that you include the following:

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
meets first Tuesday of every month at the
Carnegie Museum Library, Oakland, Pittsburgh,
Pennsylvania
Richard T. Foley, Secretary
1286 Folkstone Drive, Pittsburgh 16, Pa.

Your co-operation will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Secretary

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January 24, 1956

Mr. John R. Cooney, President
Firemen's Insurance Company
10 Park Place
Newark, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Cooney:

I acknowledge receipt of the two commemorative medals of the 100th Anniversary of the Loyalty Insurance Group and wish to express my sincere thanks for your kindness in securing these for us.

One medal has been presented to Mr. William Woodside, Curator, Coin and Medal Department, Carnegie Museum.

Thanks again for your thoughtfulness.

Yours very truly,

Secretary

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Mr. John R. Cooney, President
Firemen's Insurance Company
10 Park Place
Newark, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Cooney:

I understand that you have had a special medal struck commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Loyalty Insurance Group.

Several of our members specialize in collecting medals together with their other numismatic items. I am wondering if it would be possible for me to secure two of these medals to add to these collections. Being in the insurance business myself, I have seen the medals on various agents' desks throughout the city and the medal is a fine piece of artistic work.

Many thanks to you for your help in this matter if it can be arranged.

Sincerely,

Secretary-Treasurer

RTF:cd

J.W.R.
Mr. Cooney, President,
Firemen's Ins. Co.,
Loyalty Group
10 Park Place

Newark, N.J.

Medal Commemorating your 100th
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January 26, 1956

Mr. Richard T. Foley
1286 Folkstone Drive
Mt. Lebanon,
Pittsburgh 16, Pa.

Dear Mr. Foley:

Thank you so much for your letter of the 13th instant and for the membership list enclosed.

It was indeed a pleasure to talk before the Society and it would be an honor to be asked again.

Again, thank you for your courtesy, and with warm personal regards.

Sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.

January 26, 1956

Charles M. Wormser
President

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30th January, 1956.

Mr. Richard T. Foley,
Secretary - Western Pennsylvania
Numismatic Society,
1286 Folkstone Drive,
Mt. Lebanon,
Pittsburgh 16,
Pa., USA.

Dear Mr. Foley,

I expect to be in the Pittsburgh district with my wife on Tuesday, 1st May. May we have the pleasure of attending the meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society which I think takes place on that date? If the answer is "yes" please let me know time and place.

Yours very truly,

H. A. SEABY. A.N.A. 3071.
(member for over 30 years).

HAS:mf.

February 14, 1956

AIR MAIL

Mr. H. A. Seaby - PERSONAL
c/o B. A. Seaby Ltd.
65 Great Portland Street
London W. 1, England

Dear Mr. Seaby:

I have your letter of January 30, 1956 advising that you expect to be in Pittsburgh on May 1, 1956. That will be the date of our May meeting, and we would be very happy to welcome you and your wife as visitors on that night. We would be pleased if you would speak a few words to the members on this occasion as well as bring along any exhibit you would care to show.

If you will be kind enough to contact me at my office, 723 Farmers Bank Building - Telephone number Court 1-2550 or at my home in the evening - Carnegie 7395, I will arrange to take you out to the Carnegie Museum where our meetings are held. I would be pleased also to have you and Mrs. Seaby as my guests for dinner prior to the meeting which is held at 8:00 P.M.

Looking forward with pleasure to seeing you at that time and your reply in the meantime, I remain

Sincerely,

Secretary

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Mr. Richard T. Foley
Mt. Lebanon, Ogh.

Dear Mr. Foley:

I have been to Florida the past few weeks and expect to go back the first week in March and I may not return until after May 1st. I am scheduled for a talk on Papal coins on May 1st and I think it best that a substitute be had for that meeting.

Incidentally, I have had a terrible time finding the literature I want covering these coins and medals, namely Signori, Serafini and Mazza. The Italian dealers apparently do not have them even though I have offered them "any" price. Same for Schulman, etc. etc.

The Italian vice Consul here has written for me to at least six Italian dealers. Some of them did not even respond.

I have received coins and medals from them but their conception of grading is quite different from ours and I returned most of them.

I shall attend the Club meetings subsequently, but I am afraid I will have changed my collecting habits!

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R. A. Coleman

February 15, 1956

Mr. Sidney K. Eastwood
Matthewtown
Inagua
Bahamas

Dear Sidney:

Please forgive me for not answering your letter of December 4, 1955 before this time. Ordinarily your letter would have been read at our regular meeting on December 6th; however due to illness on my part, the matter of your resignation was not brought up until our January meeting.

It was proposed at that meeting and confirmed at the February meeting that you be made an Honorary Member of the Society due to your long association with the workers and for your splendid efforts on behalf of the organization during past years.

It is with a great deal of pleasure, therefore, that I send this message to you. I hope you are happy in your new surroundings and I, as well as the other members of the Society, would appreciate hearing from you from time to time so that we will not lose contact with each other.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

Secretary

RTF:ed

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3151 February, 1936.

Mr. Richard P. Foley,
1726 Bellatorc Drive,
Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh 16,
Pa., U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Foley,

Thank you for your kind letter of the 1/3. I also thank you for your dinner invitation which we are very happy to accept. I will phone you during the day, or you can have a message for us at our hotel. We are scheduled to arrive Pittsburgh at 10 o'clock on the evening of Friday, and are staying at the William Penn Hotel.

I am not quite lucky in poker, and if I wish suggest it, I should be very willing indeed to answer any question, if I can, before you go to play with me.

Looking forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely,
Seaby
B. A. E. Y.

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BY

Matthewtown, Inagua, Bahamas

February 23, 1956

Dear Richard:

Your good letter of the 15th came in on our mail-boat from Nassau today. I am surprised and pleased at the action taken by the Society on my resignation. It is nice to know the membership feels that I have been of service to them throughout the years and that I have contributed something in the field of Numismatics. Also, it is pleasing to be rated along with Clapp, Geis and Marlier, all of whom are in the group of distinguished Numismatists.

I guess one really never entirely loses interest in the hobby. At any rate, since coming here, I have been laying aside nice specimens of British coins-types only- and now have quite a number of them - George VI and Elizabeth II items. One day last week, I got a nice George VI florin at the Company store - the one the 16-Ton Guy sings about, maybe, and, when I got it out in the evening to see if it was a "new" type -it was an Australian florin of 1944. How this piece travelled half way around the world to Inagua, I don't know, but suspect it was brought in by a visitor. That morning a private plane was in with two passengers enroute from Port-au-Prince to Miami. One of them bought a package of cigarettes at the store. I think that's the source of my coin.

Life moves along quietly for me here under mostly sunny skies. My quarters are on the first floor of an old Bahama house, a reconditioned structure from the prosperous days of the town prior to World War I. When that war came along people left the island in great numbers as their occupation - seafaring-disappeared. Some twenty years ago a salt outfit moved in and began to build a town on the ruins of the old one. Everywhere we see what is left of the old stone houses - anything from a pile of rocks to a roofless shell. All are surrounded by stone walls. They look as if, at one time, they were nice prosperous homes. Some of the old ones have been rebuilt like the one that I have the ground

floor of. Most of the natives live in tiny wooden houses - shanty-town style. The folks in the American colony live in modern houses that the company has built.

All of this gives me much material to paint which I do most every day. Have invite a lot of watercolors to show for this activity. Some time late in April, I plan to go to Key West for two or three weeks and then on to New Orleans which I intend to make my headquarters.

Please give my regards to all of the coin club people and tell them that I appreciate my election to honorary membership.

Sincerely yours,

Sidney Eastwood

SIDNEY K. EASTWOOD
MATTHEW TOWN
INAGUA
BAHAMAS

VIA

Mr. Richard J. Holey,
1286 Folkstone Drive,
Pittsburgh 16,
Pennsylvania
U. S. A.

MATTHEW TOWN, INAGUA, BAHAMAS

23 February 1956

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Please give my regards to all of the corn-shuck people and tell them that I appreciate my election to honorary membership.

Sincerely yours,

Sidney Eastwood

1286 Folkstone Drive
Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh 16, Pa.
June 9, 1955

The Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine
Mr. Lee F. Hewitt, Editor
Hewitt Brothers., Printers
7320 Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago 31, Illinois

Dear Mr. Hewitt:

We submit the following information for your Organizational Directory:

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
Meetings - First Tuesday of Month at Carnegie Museum LIBRARY,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

New Officers for 1955/56

President - Prosper E. DeVos
Vice President - Dr. Paul McBride Gillis
Secretary-Treasurer - Richard T. Foley
Curator - John M. Kennedy

Yours very truly,

Richard T. Foley, Secy.-Treas.
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

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3204 Beechwood Blvd.
Pittsburgh 17, Pa.

June 18, 1956

Mr. Richard T. Foley
1286 Folkstone Drive
Mt. Lebanon, Pgh. 16, Pa.

My dear Dick:

As the new Program Chairman, I am going to ask your help in sending me an up to date membership list of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society.

I do not like to impose on your time as I know you are very busy but I need this in order to contact our members for the purpose of setting up our program for the year 1956-1957.

Your usual kind cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Cordially yours,

Jim
James Hendel

JH:mcb
cc: Messrs. Prosper DeVos
Ray Byrne
Clark Stockdale
David L. Davis
Robert A. Lloyd

The NUMISMATIC SCRAPBOOK MAGAZINE

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CHICAGO 31, ILLINOIS

LEE F. HEWITT—*Editor*

June 22, 1956

Mr. Richard T. Foley
1286 Folkstone Drive
Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

Dear Mr. Foley:

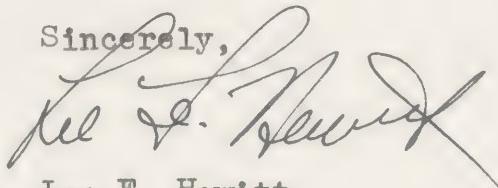
Thanks a lot for sending the copy of the CARNEGIE Magazine and the suggestion that I write to the editor for reprint permission. This I shall do. After all a presidential year comes but once in 4 years.

I sent Mr. Hendel a specimen of our contributors token and I'm enclosing one herewith which I would appreciate your handing to Mr. Porter.

Enclosed too is a check payable to the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society. Possibly it will purchase a book or two for the Society's library, or for what ever good use the members might wish to put it to.

I remember seeing Mr. Scaife's articles on Plantation Tokens in Spink's Circular. However, those particular issues are at the bindery and as soon as they are in my hands I will study the articles and contact Mr. Woodside.

Sincerely,



Lee F. Hewitt

6/15/56
June 13, 1956

Mr. Lee F. Hewitt, Editor
The Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine
7220 Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago 31, Illinois

Dear Mr. Hewitt:

I am enclosing the current issue of the "Carnegie" magazine which is published monthly by the Carnegie Institute of Pittsburgh. In this issue is an article by William W. Woodside, Honorary Curator of Coins at Carnegie Museum and a member of our Society for many years.

I thought, possibly in view of the timeliness of this article, that you might be interested in publishing it in the "Scrapbook". I discussed the matter with Mr. Woodside, and he is agreeable; however you would have to write to the Carnegie Institute for permission to publish. Mr. Woodside discussed it with the various members and they are also agreeable; however a formal request would have to be sent to them.

They would also be agreeable to letting you have the cuts of the various coins as well as the cover cut.

In the event that this is of interest to you, you could write to the Carnegie Institute, 4400 Forbes Street, Pittsburgh 13, Pennsylvania.

I might say that this is in line with our policy of seeking to create more interest in our field and also stimulate the members to greater efforts in preparing their papers knowing that they might be eventually published.

While dictating this letter I had a telephone call from Mr. Woodside regarding another matter which might be of interest to you.

Some years ago our late member, J. Verner Scaife, Jr., wrote a series of articles entitled "Assamese Tea Tokens - Plantation Tokens" which were published in Spink's "Numismatic Circular." Due to Mr. Scaife's untimely death, these articles were never finished. During the past several years, numerous varieties of these tokens have turned up which were not covered in Mr. Scaife's original series.

Mr. Lee F. Hewitt

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June 13, 1956

As a tribute to Mr. Scaife and his family, Mr. Woodside has agreed to bring this series up to date.

In discussing the matter with Bill, we felt that this entire series should be published by someone in the United States as there are undoubtedly many collectors who never have the opportunity of seeing Spinks' Circulars. I would appreciate your thoughts on this matter also.

With kindest regards and awaiting your early reply, I remain

Yours very truly,

Richard T. Foley, Secretary

RTP:cd

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J. Venner Seafe, Jr.

"Assamese Tea Tokens -
Plantation Tokens"

Pink's "Memoranda
Circular."

Eric Wodak.

Numerous new tea estates
have turned up in past
several years

July 12, 1956

Mr. Elston G. Bradfield
Editor of The Numismatist
Box 3431
Chicago 54, Illinois

Dear Mr. Bradfield:

Many thanks for your write up in the June Numismatist. It is always nice to receive credit for a task that is done.

If course, it took a little advising on your part to have this material submitted in the proper manner. I believe you should be commended for your splendid efforts in turning out the Numismatist each month. It is a tremendous task and one, I am sure, not too many people appreciate. Your ideas have injected a new spark in the magazine, and I am sure that this is apparent to all of your readers.

Thanks again.

Yours very truly,

Richard T. Foley, Secretary

RTP:cd

3204 Beechwood Blvd.
Pittsburgh 17, Pa.

July 13, 1956

Mr. Ray Byrne
701 N. Negley Avenue
Pittsburgh 6, Pa.

Dear Ray:

In connection with the revision of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society Directory, we can proceed to work on this whenever you are ready.

Cordially yours,

James Hendel
Chairman Program Committee

JH:nch

cc: Messrs. Prosper De Vos
Richard T. Foley✓
Clark O. Stockdale
David L. Davis
Robert A. Lloyd

3204 Beechwood Blvd.
Pittsburgh 17, Pa.

July 13, 1956

Mr. William L. Alexander
2309 Gulf Building
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Alexander:

At a meeting of the Program Committee of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, we appointed David L. Davis of 3811 Beechwood Blvd. as the Chairman of our Annual Dinner. It is our understanding Mr. Alexander, that you have generously offered to work with us for a joint meeting of the Centurion Stamp Club and in this regard, Mr. Davis will consult further with you regarding the time, date, etc.

I want to assure you that the program committee will give you every possible assistance and we indeed appreciate your efforts in our behalf.

I close with kindest regards.

Cordially yours,

James Hendel
Chairman, Program Committee

JH:mcb

cc: Messrs. Prosper De Vos
Richard T. Foley
Clark G. Stockdale
David L. Davis
Ray Byrne
Robert A. Lloyd

R. A. Coleman

418 Whitney Avenue Pittsburgh 21, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Foley July Twenty second

An apology is due the Coin Club and to you as Secretary for my lack of interest and for not having written you heretofore to say that I have lost most of my interest in coins. I have gone back in a humble way to Stamps, my first love. And not too seriously because it is hard to keep up with stamps or coins due to my migratory habits away from Pittsburgh.

I shall always remember the fine people I have met as a member of your group.

Sincerely yours

R. A. Coleman

August 2, 1956

Dr. Graham P. Netting, Director
Carnegie Museum
4400 Forbes Street
Pittsburgh 13, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Netting:

Our Society is holding our Annual Social Meeting at Webster Hall on August 14, 1956. We would be very pleased if you could attend this meeting as our guest on that night.

The affair begins at Eight O'Clock and will continue until about 11:00 P.M. or possibly later.

I hope your program will permit you to be with us.

Yours very truly,

Richard T. Foley, Secretary

RTF:cd

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August 16, 1956

Mr. Richard T. Foley, Secretary
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society
1286 Folkstone Drive
Pittsburgh 16, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Foley:

I regret that absence from the city precluded my accepting your kind invitation to attend the Annual Social Meeting of the Numismatic Society at Webster Hall Tuesday evening.

I did not write you in advance about this because I fully expected to get back in time to join with you on this occasion. I am certain that the evening was a pleasant one and that the loss was mine in not being able to be present. Please express my thanks to the Society for the kind invitation and my regrets that I did not have the opportunity to attend.

Sincerely yours,

M. Graham Netting
Director

MGN:elw

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August 17, 1956

AIR MAIL

Mr. Lee F. Hewitt, Editor
The Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine
7320 Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago 31, Illinois

Dear Mr. Hewitt:

I am attaching hereto a paper which was prepared in connection with a talk David L. Davis gave at the June meeting of our Society. Mr. Davis is a Research Chemist with the United States Veterans Administration Hospital in Pittsburgh.

I believe this subject would be of great interest to all of your readers throughout the Country and hope you will be able to publish it in the Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine.

Incidentally, both Mr. Porter and Mr. Hendel were very much pleased with their tokens which you sent them.

In connection with the article of Mr. Woodside in the current issue of the Scrapbook, Bill has asked that I request ten (10) additional copies of the magazine for distribution to museums, the Society library and to several other sources. I would be pleased to have you forward them directly to me with any fee.

With kindest regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

Richard T. Foley, Secretary

RTF:cd

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Memo from ...

LEE F. HEWITT, Editor
Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine
7320 Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago 31, Illinois

Aug 21/56

Dear Mr. Foley:

Thanks a lot for sending Mr. Davis' paper on cleaning coins. That's a subject that there is an unending interest in and I'm very happy to have it.

Will you please give Mr. Davis the enclosed token? Thanks!

possibly there is a book your society needs for its library (or some refreshments for a meeting) so enclosed is a little check for that purpose.

Yours
Lee F. Hewitt

P.S. The 10 copies of August issue are being mailed to you with my compliments.

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

Founded June 14, 1878

President.....Prosper E. DeVos
Vice-President.....Dr. Paul McBride Gillis
Secretary and Treasurer....Richard T. Foley
CuratorJohn M. Kennedy

Address of Secretary
RICHARD T. FOLEY
1286 Folkstone Drive
Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh 16, Pa.

The regular monthly meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society was held Tuesday, September 4, 1956 in the Carnegie Museum Library. Meeting was called to order at 8:15 P.M. by President DeVos with the following members present: Messrs: DeVos, Lloyd, Murdoch, Davis, Peters, Gillis, Byrne, Feisel, Burns, Romah, Hendel, Lando, Stockdale, Foley, Sweeney, Porter, Kiefer, Woodside and Goddy. Guests present were Harry C. Bartley and W. W. Woodside, Jr.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read. Treasurer's Report showed a balance on hand of \$128.70.

Letter was read from Mr. R. A. Coleman in which he apologized to the members for his non-attendance at recent meetings.

Letter also read from Mr. Lee F. Hewitt, Editor of the Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine, in which he thanked Mr. David L. Davis for his article "Care and Cleaning of Coins," which will appear in the next issue of this magazine. He also enclosed a Contributor's token which was presented to Mr. Davis for his fine article.

Mr. Peters reported that he had issues for several years of the Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine which he would be very happy to turn over to the society if we so desired. Mr. DeVos accepted this contribution on behalf of the society.

Mr. Woodside spoke briefly on the matter of selectivity in our membership in the future, suggesting that we screen our applicants very carefully and select those whom we feel will contribute something worthwhile to our society from a numismatic and not a commercial point of view.

Ray Byrne gave us a report on his attendance with members DeVos and Lando at the A.N.A. convention in Chicago in August.

Program Chairman, Mr. Hendel, then introduced Mr. Foley who spoke on the subject "Canadian Coins and Tokens Prior to the Twentieth Century."

The following were the exhibits:

H. C. Bartley: Bay Park Bus Lines Male and Female Tokens (article on these in "Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine"); pocket piece 100th Anniversary of Minneapolis.

Jack F. Burns: Invasion currency of Japan 7 pieces 1 centavo to 10 pesos; Allied Military currency - Italy 1 and 2 lire, and Japan 20 yen; British Military currency 1 shilling; U.S. dollar stamped "Hawaii".

Ray Byrne: Gem proof \$4.00 gold Stella.

Duane H. Feisel: Invasion currency; American Legion School Award Medal; Good Conduct Medal, U.S. Navy.

- James Hendel: Set of Japanese invasion currency.
- George C. Kiefer: U.S. dimes 1796, 1807, 1814, 1820, 1823/22 overdate, 1838P, 18380, 1878CC, 1942/41 overdate.
- Robert S. Porter,Jr. Collection of World War I medals and American Legion Convention badges.
- W. W. Woodside: 18 coins of James II Ireland including $\frac{1}{2}$ crown of April 1690 in gold.
- Prosper DeVos: Set of large Canadian cents 1858-1920; Canadian dollars: 1935 George V; George VI 1937-1952; Elizabeth II 1953-1956 all unc.; paper money: George VI \$1-2-5-10 unc.; Elizabeth II \$1-2-5-10.
- Dr. Paul McBride Gillis: Official Key to City of Pittsburgh (presented by Mayor David L. Lawrence to Dr. Gillis) 1804 Bank of England Dollar, 1662 Crown Charles II, 1797 Cartwheel penny and half penny, Medal St. Paul's Cathedral, Medal of Washington by Manly, Medal John Paul Jones by DuVivier.
- Meyer Goddy: Canadian half penny 1842 and 1857, Canadian one penny 1842, Token half penny (plow) 1857, one penny Bank of Montreal token, Canadian quarter 1872, Canadian dime 1874, Wellington token 1812, Nova Scotia cent 1861, U.S. 1955-P half dollar broken nose mustache, U.S. 1954 dime size of cent, 1954 dime feather type, 1954 dime mustache type, miscellaneous English coins.
- Robert L. Lloyd: U.S. Victory medal with 8 battle bars World War I, German Iron Cross 1st class World War I, French Legion of Honor medal World War I, German Eisernes Kreuz I. Klasse 1939, German Combat's Cross with swords World War I, French Verdum Medal World War I, English medal for active duty in armed forces World War II, U.S. GAR medal Civil War, Italian War Cross World War I, British Star medal World War II, German Iron Cross 1st class World War II, German Iron Cross from Hindenburg line World War I, medal for 12 years in German Army World War II, Hessen medal fur Tapferkeit World War I, German Russian Campaign Medal World War II, Belgium Croix de Guerre World War II, French Croix de Guerre World War II, U.S. Honorable Discharge medal State of West Virginia Civil War, same in bronze, U.S. medal of the Spanish American War Veterans, U. S. Pennsylvania National Guard Mexican Border Service 1916, German Hitler Youth Arm Band, German Quisling Arm Band, German Submarine Service Arm Band, German Air Force Arm Band.
- Richard T. Foley: Over 600 Canadian coins and tokens including French Regime, Upper and Lower Canada, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Manitoba, Northwest Territories, British Columbia, Magdalen Island and Anticosti Island. Exhibits included many varieties in this series. Each coin exhibited in individual Clarke coin box lined with red velvet and properly attributed.

Respectfully submitted,

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September 10, 1956

Mr. Prosper E. DeVos
11448 Orchardview Drive
Pittsburgh 20, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. DeVos:

Will you please sign the three enclosed checks where indicated and return to me. Thank you.

Yours very truly,

Dick.
Richard T. Foley

cd
att.

Thanks for the clipping. I will send it to him.

Deek. Dick
At your earliest convenience, please send me a dozen or so of these letter heads (A.P.N.S.)

Frank
100-111-156 Cros.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society was held on Tuesday, October 2, 1956 in the Carnegie Museum Library. The meeting was called to order at 8:20 P.M. by President DeVos with the following members present: Messrs: Lando, Byrne, Goddy, Davis, DeVos, Lloyd, Woodside, Bartley, Gillis, Kennedy, Gaede, Gratz, Foley, Porter and Feisel. Guests present were W. W. Woodside, Jr. and Mr. Krchnak.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read. Treasurer's Report showed balance on hand of \$113.50. There was no correspondence.

Mr. Davis reporting on the Annual Banquet stated that it would be held in conjunction with the Philatelic Centurion Society on Wednesday nite, November 14, 1956. It will be a stag affair, charge \$3.50 per person. He reported that he expects to present that evening a speaker from the Smithsonian Institute in Washington. He expects attendance at the meeting to be between 100 and 150 persons.

Dr. Gillis of the Membership Committee read for the second time the application of Harry C. Bartley. Ballots were distributed and after being read was found that Mr. Bartley was unanimously elected to membership.

Mr. Kennedy, the Curator, turned over to the Society two bound volumes of The Numismatist and advised that two additional volumes were at the present in the hands of the bookbinder. He also reported that a new catalog of the Society papers was also being bound.

Mr. Lando reported that ANA display cases were being offered for sale by the latter association at around \$15 if any of the members were interested in securing them.

Mr. Davis acting as Program Chairman in the absence of Mr. Hendel introduced Mr. Ray Byrne who spoke on "United States Rarities." His talk was well presented and brought forth a number of favorable comments. On motion by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Dr. Gillis, Mr. Byrne's paper on this subject is being sent to the Numismatic Scrapbook for publication.

Following were the exhibits:

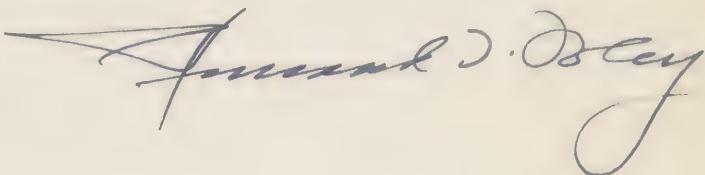
Ray Byrne: Type set of U.S. gold in proof \$1, \$2.50, \$3, \$4, \$5, \$10 and \$20; 30 U.S. pattern cents; 1 1851 Flying Eagle pattern proof struck on 20¢ aluminum planchet.

Harry C. Bartley: Two transportation tokens depicting animals: 1. horse car - Maukato, Minnesota. 2. beaver - Montreal, Canada Lachine Railroad.

- Prosper E. DeVos: Set Walking Liberty half dollars 1935-47D, Rhodesia Nyasaland proof set 1955, 1955 Washington quarter with blank reverse, 1954 Franklin half struck on 25¢ planchet, Australian proof set 1955 Elizabeth II, set of 10 Austrian 2 shilling commemorative pieces, set of proof 5¢ pieces 1938-1942 and 1950-1956 in plastic holder, several Maundy sets Great Britain.
- William A. Gaede: 1596 half crown of Saxony, various coins of Costa Rica and Honduras, 1793 Bermuda penny.
- J. M. Kennedy: 1858 U.S. proof set \$1 to 1¢, 1875 U.S. proof set 50¢ to 1¢.
- I. B. Lando: Odd and curious money including the following: China - Shantung knife money B.C. 860-260, Bell money, Spade money Chou Dynasty 340-250 B.C., Arrowhead money 9-23 A.D., Sycee 1 Tael (shoe or boat money), Sycee 2 Tael, set of 3 fish token money in original box; Japan - Cho Gin or bean cake block Tempo era 1837; Siam - bullet money 1 Tical 1851-68, copper boat money; West Africa - Gizioni penny or wife buying money.
- Robert S. Porter, Jr.: Coins of ancient Tarentum gold and silver.
- W. W. Woodside, Sr.: 3 pieces of ancient Irish ring money, 16 ancient British coins, 7 coins of Roman Britain.
- W. W. Woodside, Jr.: 24 pieces depicting various animals from 18 different countries.
- Richard T. Foley: 10 Austrian commemorative 2 shilling pieces in plastic holder, Leslie 2 penny piece Canada, 1891 small date Canadian cent, 10 Scotch communion tokens, 8 Canadian communion tokens, Montreal College medal, 2 bridge tokens Canada - Caleche and Personne, 1858 gold sovereign of Australia.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



October 17, 1956

Howitt Brothers
7320 Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago 31, Illinois

Gentlemen:

Attached hereto is paper presented at our regular monthly meeting on October 2, 1956 on "United States Rarities" by our member, Raymond A. Byrne, 701 N. Negley Avenue, Pittsburgh 6, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Byrne is a Mortician, Coin Dealer and Numismatist.

This subject may be of interest to your readers and might possibly be published in one of your monthly editions.

I would appreciate it if you will advise me if this will be accepted for publication.

Yours very truly,

Secretary

R.W.B.
att.

10-30-56

Dear Mr. DeVos:

Attached is reply from Lee F. Hewitt, Editor of the Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine, regarding Ray Byrne's paper prepared for a recent meeting.

Perhaps you would wish to read this reply at the next meeting.

Richard T. Foley

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att.

Read "16/56

Memo from ...

LEE F. HEWITT, Editor
Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine
7320 Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago 31, Illinois

Oct. 22, 1956

Dear Mr. Foley:

Thanks for sending Ray Bynes paper.

Its publication might start a little controversy regarding the use of term "rare" — but a little clean controversy is a good thing.

His tables at end of paper present a bit of a problem to reduce to one page width — but I eventually figure out how to do it.

Yours
Lee F. Hewitt

Ray Byrne: 1913 U. S. proof set, 1916 Philadelphia mint set, several types 1913 U. S. nickels, several types 1917 U.S. quarters all unc.

Prosper E. DeVos: Commemorative crown of Egypt 1956, 1955 proof mint set Canada, U.S. 1937, 1955 and 1956 proof sets, 1 yen Japan 1870 with chrysanthamum.

Harry C. Bartley: Collection of transportation tokens of Western Pennsylvania, transportation tokens from Pittsburgh and other points.

William Gaede: U. S. Colonial pieces of various colonies, 1839-0 half dollar, Massachusetts Pine and Oak Tree Shillings.

Armor Murdoch: \$10 currency 1929 First National Bank of Wilkinsburg, Paper on Foreign Gold Storage in New York City.

C. O. Stockdale: Group of British Colonial coins and tokens.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Ray Byrne, Secretary Pro Tem

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The regular monthly meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society was held on Tuesday, November 6, 1956 in the Carnegie Museum Library. The meeting was called to order at 8:15 P.M. by President DeVos with the following members present: Messrs: Stockdale, Lando, Lloyd, Woodside, Burns, Gaede, Kennedy, Hendel, Davis, Byrne, Bartley, Feisel, Romah, Compton and Murdoch. Guests present were Mrs. Frances Wohlgemuth and Mr. Joseph G. Meszaros.

Due to the absence of our regular Secretary, Mr Richard T. Foley, President DeVos appointed Ray Byrne as Secretary Pro Tem. Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read. The Treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$109.23.

Mr. Woodside, in the absence of Dr. Gillis, Chairman of the Membership Committee, read for the first time the application for membership of Emerson S. Smith.

Mr. Kennedy, Curator, turned over to the Society bound copies of papers presented at previous meetings of the society by its members. The binding of these papers was a gift to the Society by Mr. Kennedy.

Mr. Hendel, Chairman of the Program Committee, and Mr. David L. Davis gave a report on the annual banquet on November 14th and asked that interested members order the banquet tickets or pay for same at the meeting.

Motion to pay bill to the Penn State Binding Company for \$9.27 for binding two copies of the Numismatist was made and carried.

Mr. Hendel, Chairman of the Program Committee, announced that Bourse Tables would be set up at the Banquet and requested those desiring to enter coins to do so and mark each lot with the price asked.

Mr. Hendel announced the Speaker of the evening, John M. Kennedy, whose talk "The Curator and His Job" was very enlightening and educational. Mr. Kennedy requested help from the members in keeping the society's library intact and up to date. He reported that a catalog of our books is in the making and will be distributed when available.

Exhibits:

David L. Davis: Group of Civil War Tokens including 7 from Pittsburgh, group of trade tokens and two hard time tokens.

John M. Kennedy: 1903 Philippine set $\frac{1}{2}$ cent to \$1.

I. B. Lando: 1796 U.S. quarter.

W. W. Woodside: British Colonial Tokens: 16 from Malaya, 8 from Assam and 7 from India.

R. A. Coleman

418 Whitney Avenue Pittsburgh 21, Pennsylvania

November Twelfth 1956

Dear Mr. Foley.

Kindly drop my name from the W.P.A. S-list as I no longer have any interest in coins.

Have gone back to my first "love", stamps -

Thank you, and best personal regards

R. A. Coleman

1286 Folkstone Drive
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n.d.

Mr. Richard Foley:

Hi Dick,

As Curator of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, I would like to thank you in behalf of the Society for your recent contribution of numismatic material to our library. I hope to have all of the items catalogued and properly indexed before the meeting after next.

We have missed your presence, your guidance, your sharing of your wealth of information, and your exhibits. If you have the inclination, you will be most welcome at any of our future get-togethers.

As for the Society, the meetings have been generally interesting covering as usual a variety of numismatic subjects. Dr. Hudson has been working hard to set up interesting programs. He has succeeded. It is still the older more experienced members who, with their tales, keep the meetings lively. We the newer members hope our appreciation and detail work (the Library maintainence and W.P.N.S. survey of Allegheny County, etc.) will keep the support of our leaders while developing ourselves with the Society.

Until we see you again, I guess we will just have to content ourselves with being envious of you and your leisure (?) at your home and farm retreat.

Please accept our best wishes.

Sincerely,

William V. Hunter, Jr.
Curator